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FIRST WARD.

WILLIAM CLARKE,
JAMES S. DAVENPORT, PRESIDENT,
GEORGE S. GARDNER,
JAMES R. THOMPSON.

SECOND WARD.

JOSEPH G. EDGE,
MATTHEW ERWIN,
HUGH McCOMB,
ALEXANDER WILSON.

THIRD WARD.

LOUIS B. COBB,
WILLIAM R. DRAYTON,
HENRY E. INSLEY,
JACOB R. WORTENDYKE.

FOURTH WARD.

SAMUEL M. HOFFMAN,
JONATHAN V. THURSTON,
THOMAS E. TILDEN,
SAMUEL R. TYRRELL.

CITY CLERK.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY.

MARSHAL.

NATHANIEL ELLIS.

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF 1856 AND 1857.

Pursuant to the provisions of the City Charter, the Common Council met at the Common Council Chamber on Monday, May 5th, 1856, at half-past eight o'clock, P.M.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

The roll was called and the following Aldermen answered to their names :

First Ward—William Clarke, James S. Davenport, George S. Gardner, James R. Thompson.

Second Ward—Joseph G. Edge, Matthew Erwin, Hugh McComb, Alexander Wilson.

Third Ward—Louis B. Cobb, William R. Drayton, Henry E. Insley, Jacob R. Wortendyke.

Fourth Ward—Thomas E. Tilden, Jonathan V. Thurston.

Absent—Samuel M. Hoffman, of the Fourth Ward.

On motion of Ald Wilson, it was

Resolved, That Alderman Edge be appointed President pro-tempore

On motion of Ald. Wilson it was

Resolved, That the rules of the last Board be adopted as the rules for the government of this Common Council.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board proceeded to the election of a President.

Ald Davenport and Gardner were appointed and acted as tellers.

Six ballotings were had, which resulted as follows:

First Ballotting.

James S Davenport received one vote
George S. Gardner received one vote
James R Thompson received five votes
Joseph G Edge. received two votes
Jacob R Wortendyke, received one vote
Henry E Insley received one vote
Three blanks were cast

Second Balloting.

Henry E Insley, received one vote
James R Thompson, received four votes
James S Davenport, received one vote
Jacob R Wortendyke, received one vote
Matthew Erwin received one vote
Joseph G Edge, received two votes
Louis B Cobb, received one vote
Three blanks were cast.

Third Balloting.

James S Davenport, received two votes
James R Thompson, received four votes
Joseph G. Edge, received three votes
Alexander Wilson, received one vote.
William R Drayton, received one vote
Three blanks were cast

Fourth Balloting.

James S Davenport, received five votes
James R Thompson, received five votes
William R Drayton, received one vote
Joseph G Edge, received two votes
One blank was cast.

Fifth Balloting.

Hugh McComb, received one vote
Joseph G. Edge, received two votes
William R Drayton, received one vote
Jonathan V Thurston received one vote
James S Davenport received five votes
James R Thompson received three votes
One blank was cast

Sixth Balloting.

James S Davenport received five votes
George S. Gardner received one vote
Henry E Insley received one vote
James R Thompson received five votes
Joseph G Edge received received one vote
Hugh McComb received one vote

On motion of Ald Wilson it was

Resolved, That the further balloting for President be postponed.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Clerk.

The same tellers were appointed.

A balloting was had with the following result :

George W Cassedy received 12 votes
A A Hardenbergh received one vote
John H Lyon received one vote

Whereupon George W Cassedy was declared appointed City Clerk.

On motion of Ald Wilson, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a City Marshal.

The same tellers were appointed.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :

Nathaniel Ellis. received twelve votes
Two blanks were cast.

Whereupon Nathaniel Ellis was declared appointed City Marshal.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting, at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday May 6, 1856, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

In the absence of Alderman Edge, the President pro-tempore, appointed on the 5th inst., the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald Clarke, Davenport, Drayton, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Alderman Edge and Hoffman were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Ald. Cobb.

On motion of Ald Erwin, Ald Insley was appointed President pro-tempore.

On motion of Ald Wortendyke it was

Resolved, That the Board do now proceed to the election of a President.

Ald Clarke and Drayton were appointed and acted as tellers.

Thirty eight ballotings were had as follows.

First Balloting	*votes.*		*votes.*
Ald Edge received	2	Ald Wortendyke, rec'd	1
" Thurston,	1	" Drayton	1
" Thompson,	4	" Davenport,	1
" Erwin,	1	One blank was cast.	

Second Balloting.

Ald Thompson, received	5	Ald Edge, received	2
" Gardner	2	" Tilden	1
" Davenport	2		

Third Balloting

Ald Thurston received	1	Ald Gardner received	2
" Davenport	3	" Drayton	1
" Thompson	5		

Fourth Balloting.

Ald Davenport received	5	Ald McComb received	1
" Thompson	3	" Clarke	2
" Edge	1		

(Ald Hoffman appeared and took his seat.)

Fifth Balloting

Ald Davenport received	5	Ald McComb received	1
" Thompson	3	One blank cast	
" Erwin	3		

Sixth Balloting.

Ald Thompson received	4	Ald Wilson received	3
" Davenport	5	" Erwin	1

Seventh Balloting.

Ald Davenport received	7	Ald Wortendyke recv'd	1
" Thompson	3	" Edge	1
" McComb	1		

(Ald. Edge appeared and took his seat.)

Eighth Balloting

Ald Thompson received	6	Ald Davenport received	3
" Edge	3	" McComb	1

Ninth Balloting

Ald Davenport received	7	Ald Edge received	1
" Thompson	5	" Gardner	1

Tenth Balloting

Ald Thompson received	6	Ald Hoffman received	1
" Edge	2	" Wortendyke	1
" Davenport	3	One blank was cast	

Eleventh Balloting.

Ald Edge received	1	Ald Davenport received	5
" Thompson	6	Two blanks were cast	

Twelfth balloting

Ald Davenport received	7	Ald Edge received	1
" Thompson	5	One blank was cast	

Thirteenth Balloting

Ald Davenport received	5	Ald Edge received	2
" Thompson	6	" Clarke	1

Fourteenth Balloting

Ald Thompson received	6	Ald Davenport received	3
" Edge	4	One blank was cast	

Fifteenth balloting.

Ald Davenport received	4	Ald Edge received	3
" Thompson	5	One blank was cast	
" Tilden	1		

Sixteenth balloting

Ald Davenport received	5	Ald Edge received	1
" Thompson	5	One blank was cast	
" Tilden	1		

Seventeenth balloting

Ald Davenport received	4	Ald Edge received	2
" Thompson	4	" Tilden	2

Eighteenth balloting

Ald Thompson received	3	Ald Tilden received	2
" Davenport	6	" Wortendyke	1

Ald. Edge moved to adjourn. The motion was lost.

Nineteenth balloting.

Ald Davenport received	5	Ald Edge	1
" Thompson	4	" Tilden	1
" Wortendyke	1	" Gardner	1

One blank was cast

Twentieth balloting.

Ald Davenport received	5	Ald Wortendyke	1
" Thompson	5	" Edge	2
" Thurston	1		

Twenty first balloting.

Ald Davenport received	2	Ald Thurston	1
" Thompson	6	" Hoffman	1
" Edge	3	One blank was cast	

Twenty second balloting.

Ald Davenport	7	Ald Thurston	1
" Thompson	6		

Twenty third ballotting

Ald Davenport received	6	Ald Edge received	2
" Thompson	5	" Gardner	1

Twenty fourth balloting

Ald Davenport received	5	Ald Edge received	3
" Thompson	5	One blank was cast	

Twenty fifth balloting

Ald Edge received	2	Ald Gardner received	1
" Thompson	5	" Tilden	1
" Davenport	4	One blank was cast	

Twenty-sixth ballotting

Ald Thompson received	5	Ald McComb received	1
" Edge	4	" Thurston	1
" Davenport	3		

Twenty seventh balloting

Ald Davenport received	3	Ald Wortendyke received	2
" Thompson	5	" Drayton	1
" Ald Edge	1	Two blanks were cast	

Twenty eighth balloting.

Ald Davenport received	6	Ald Wortendyke	3
" Thompson	4	" Drayton	1

Twenty ninth balloting.

Ald Wortendyke rec'd	1	Ald Davenport	5
" Thomson	5	" Edge	2

One blank was cast.

Thirtieth balloting.

Ald Davenport received	7	Ald Edge	1
" Thompson	5	One blank was cast	

Thirty first balloting.

Ald Thompson received	5	Ald Cobb	1
" Davenport	6	One blank was cast	
" Edge	1		

Thirty second balloting.

Ald Davenport received	7	Ald Thurston	1
" Thompson	6		

Thirty third balloting

Ald Thompson received	5	Ald Drayton received	1
" Davenport	5	" Insley	1
" McComb	1	" Edge	1

Thirty-fourth balloting

Ald Thompson received	5	Ald Edge received	1
" Davenport	4	" Gardner	1
" Insley	2	" Hoffman	1

Thirty fifth balloting

Ald Davenport received	6	Ald Wortendyke recv'd	1
" Thompson	4	One blank was cast	
" Insley	1		

Thirty-sixth balloting

Ald Thompson received	5	Ald Drayton received	1
" Davenport	4	" Edge	1
" Wortendyke	1	One blank was cast	
" Insley	1		

Thirty-seventh balloting

Ald Edge received	1	Ald Thompson received	6
" Tilden	1	" Davenport	4
" Insley	1		

Thirty-eighth balloting

Ald Thompson received	6	Ald Edge received	1
" Davenport	6		

On motion of Ald Davenport it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber, on Thursday the eighth instant at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

On motion of Ald Erwin the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber Thursday May 8th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock. P. M.

In the absence of Ald. Insley, the President protempore, appointed on the 6th inst., the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Davenport, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Gardner, Hoffman and Insley were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

On motion of Ald. McComb Ald. Wortendyke was appointed President pro-tempore.

(Ald. Insley appeared and took his seat.)

The Board then proceeded to the election of a President.

Ald. McComb and Tilden were appointed and acted as tellers.

Forty six ballottings were had, which resulted as follows :

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS. 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46
	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	
Ald. Clarke, received..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	
" Cobb, "	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
" Davenport, "	5	5	4	4	5	3	7	6	6	6	8	6	6	6	7	6	6	5	4	4	5	5	6	5	5	3	5	5	5	4	5	5	4	4	5	5	7	7	4	4	4	4	3	1	3	1
" Drayton, "	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	6	7	4	2
" Edge, "	2	—	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Erwin, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Gardner, "	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Hoffman, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
" Insley, "	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	
" McComb, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	1	1	1	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Thompson, "	4	5	4	5	5	7	6	5	5	5	5	6	5	4	4	5	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	5	7	7	6	6	6	5	5	4	4	7	7	5	5	7	7	6	4	4	4	5	4
" Thurston, "	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	4	4	4	6	6	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1
" Tilden, "	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Wilson, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Wortendyke, "	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Number of blanks cast	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	

Between the second and third ballotings Ald. Hoffman appeared and took his seat.

Between the fourth and fifth ballotings Ald Gardner appeared and took his seat.

After the nineteenth balloting Ald Edge asked and obtained leave of absence for two hours and retired.

Between the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifty ballotings, the board took a recess for ten minutes, on motion of Ald. McComb.

Between the thirty-sixth and thirty-seventh ballotings on motion of Ald Erwin, it was

Resolved, That when the board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 13th inst, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

On the announcement of the result of the forty-sixth balloting, on motion of Ald McComb the board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 13th, 1856, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of Ald. Wortendyke, the President pro tempore, appointed on the 8th inst, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Davenport, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden and Wilson.

Ald. Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Thurston, and Wortendyke, were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

On motion of Ald. Insley, Ald. Cobb was appointed President pro-tempore.

(Ald. Wortendyke appeared and took his seat.).

The Board proceeded to the election of a President.

Ald. Clarke and Drayton were appointed and acted as tellers.

Between the third and fourth ballotings Ald Edge and Gardner appeared and took their seats.

Between the fourth and fifth ballotings Ald. Thurston appeared and took his seat.

Between the sixth and seventh ballotings Ald Hoffman appeared and took his seat.

Fifty one ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS																									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.
Ald. Clarke, received..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Cobb, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	4	5	5	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
" Davenport, "	2	—	3	1	2	3	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	—	1	1	3	1	—	3	1
" Drayton, "	1	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
" Edge, "	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
" Erwin, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
" Gardner, "	—	—	—	1	1	3	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
" Hoffman, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—
" Insley, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	1	—	3	4	1	1	—	—	—
" McComb, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Thompson, "	6	6	6	6	6	5	6	6	4	5	5	7	6	4	5	4	5	5	6	5	4	4	4	4	5	6
" Thurston, "	1	2	2	3	4	3	4	6	6	4	2	2	3	3	2	3	3	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	3
" Tilden, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	5	4	4	—	—	—	1	3	—
" Wilson, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Wortendyke, "	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	3	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	—
Number of blanks cast	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	3	2	—	3	—	1

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS																									
	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	
	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	
Ald. Clarke, received..	—	1	1	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	
" Cobb, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
" Davenport, "	1	1	—	3	3	5	6	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	—	1	6	2	3	4	
" Drayton, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Edge, "	2	7	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	
" Erwin, "	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Gardner "	1	—	2	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	8	—	—	—	—	1	1	
" Hoffman, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	
" Insley, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	
" McComb, "	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	
" Thompson, "	4	3	5	5	4	6	6	5	5	4	3	4	5	4	5	3	3	1	3	3	7	4	5	6	4	
" Thurston, "	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	—	1	7	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	3	
" Tilden, "	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	6	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Wilson, "	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Wortendyke "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Number of blanks cast	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	3	—	1	2	1	—	1	2	2	2	1	—	—	4	1	1	—	2	

Between the twentieth and twenty first ballotings on motion of Ald. Drayton the Board took a recess for fifteen minutes.

Between the thirty third and thirty fourth ballotings, on motion of Ald. Erwin it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber on Thursday the fifteenth inst, at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

On the announcement of the result of the forty sixth balloting, Ald. Clarke having received the requisite number of votes, was declared elected President of the Common Council.

Ald. Clarke declined the office.

On the announcement of the result of the fifty first balloting, on motion of Ald. Insley the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Thursday May 15th, 1856, at 7 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of Ald Cobb, the President pro tempore appointed on the 13th inst., the board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Cobb, and Davenport were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats—the former between the thirteenth and fourteenth and the latter between the third and fourth ballotings.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Edge and Gardner.

On motion of Ald Wilson, Ald Wortendyke was appointed President pro tempore.

The board proceeded to the election of a President.

Ald Hoffman and Wilson were appointed and acted as tellers.

Twenty-five ballotings were had, which resulted as follows :

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS																								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	vote.	votes.
Ald. Clarke, received..																									
" Cobb, "														1	1					1					1
" Davenport, "	1	2		3	4		1	3		2	1	1		1									3	5	5
" Drayton, "											1	1	1	2	1										
" Edge, "																									
" Erwin, "																									
" Gardner " ...		1																							
" Hoffman, " ..													1					1							
" Insley, "				1			1			1	3	3	2						4	5	6	6	3		
" McComb, "																									
" Thompson, "	5	4	6	4	5	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	3	4	5	4	4	3	3	4	4	4	3	4	3
" Thurston, "	1	3	3	3	2	4	4	3	4	3	2	2	3	2	2	4	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
" Tilden, "			1																						
" Wilson, "													1												
" Wortendyke "						2								1	3	4	6	5	3						
Number of blanks cast	2								2																

On the announcement of the result of the twenty-fifth balloting, on motion of Ald Wilson, it was

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it will adjourn until its next regular meeting on Tuesday the 20th instant, at 7 1-2 oclock, P. M.

On motion of Ald McComb the board then adjourned.

GFO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting, at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday May 20, 1856, at 8 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of Alderman Wortendyke, the President pro-tempore, appointed on the 15th inst., the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Davenport, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Wilson.

Alderman Gardner, Hoffman, Insley and Wortendyke were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

On motion of Ald Wilson, Ald Cobb was appointed President pro-tempore.

(Ald. Wortendyke appeared and took his seat.)

On motion of Ald Davenport the Board proceeded to the election of a President.

Ald Clarke and Drayton were appointed and acted as tellers.

Forty-one ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.
Ald. Clarke, received..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Cobb, "	2	4	4	4	4	4	5	6	4	6	4	4	4	4	3	3	6	6	5	4	5	5	4	4	6	4	5	6	6	3	3	4	3	2	3	3	2	2	1	1	1
" Davenport, "	1	2	1	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	1	4	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	—	1	1	—	3	1	—	—	—	1	1	2	—	—	2	5	5	6	4	4	
" Drayton, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Edge, "	2	2	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	1	4	2	1	—	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	—	—	2	—
" Erwin, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Gardner, "	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Hoffman, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Insley, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
" McComb, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
" Thompson, "	3	4	4	5	5	5	6	5	6	5	6	6	5	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	6	4	5	6	7	6	5	4	6	7	6	5	4	5	5	7	5	6	5	4	5
" Thurston, "	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
" Tilden, "	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	4	4	2	2	1	2	1	1	
" Wilson, "	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	
" Wortendyke, "	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	2	—	
Number of blanks cast	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	2	1	1	—	—	—	2	3	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	

Between the 7th and 8th ballotings Ald Insley appeared and took his seat.

Between the 9th and 10th ballotings Ald Hoffman appeared and took his seat.

Between the 14th and 15th ballotings Ald Gardner appeared and took his seat.

Between the 30th and 31st ballotings, on motion of Ald Drayton, the Board took a recess of fifteen minutes.

Between the 40th and 41st balloting, on motion of Ald Erwin it was.

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Thursday the 22d instant, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

After the 41st balloting, on motion of Ald Edge, the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Thursday May 22nd, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of Ald Cobb, the President pro tempore appointed on the 20th instant, the board was called to order by the city clerk.

Present—Ald Clarke, Davenport, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Cobb, Hoffman, McComb, and Thurston, were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

On motion of Ald. Insley, Ald Gardner was appointed President pro tempore.

The board then proceeded to the election of a President.

Ald Clarke and Drayton were appointed and acted as tellers.

Twenty-seven ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

NAMES.	BALLOTINGS 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.	votes.
Ald. Clarke, received..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Cobb, "...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Davenport, "...	2	4	5	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	6	5	6	6	6	7	7	7	6	6	3	4	6	8	7	8	9
" Drayton, "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Edge, "...	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Erwin, "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Gardner "...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
" Hoffman, "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Insley, "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
" McComb, "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Thompson, "...	5	5	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	5	5	5	5	6	5	5	5	6	6	7	7	7	6
" Thurston, "...	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	3	2	2	3	3	2	1	1	—	—	—	—
" Tilden, "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Wilson, "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
" Wortendyke "...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—
Number of blanks cast	—	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—

Between the first and second ballotings, Ald Thurston appeared and took his seat.

Between the eighth and ninth ballotings, Aldermen Hoffman and McComb appeared and took their seats.

Between the twelfth and thirteenth ballotings, Ald Cobb appeared and took his seat.

Between the twenty-first and twenty-second ballotings, Ald Wilson offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the rules under which this Board is now acting be suspended.

The resolution was decided by the Chair to be out of order.

Ald Wilson appealed from the decision of the chair, and the chair was not sustained.

On motion of Ald Cobb the resolution was laid upon the table.

Between the twenty-first and twenty-second ballotings, on motion of Ald Drayton, the Board took a recess for fifteen minutes.

On the announcement of the result of the twenty-seventh balloting, Alderman James S. Davenport was declared elected President of the Common Council, he having received the requisite number of votes.

Ald Cobb and Clarke were appointed a committee for the purpose, and conducted the President to the Chair.

The President briefly addressed the Board in acknowledgement of the honor conferred upon him.

On motion of Ald Erwin, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait upon his Honor the Mayor and inform him that the Common Council is organized and ready to receive any communications he may desire to present.

Ald Erwin, Thurston and Insley were appointed such committee.

Ald Erwin asked to be, and was excused from serving on the committee, and Ald Clarke was appointed in his place.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petitions for the appointment of the following named persons as city watchmen, viz. :

Thomas Springstien, John B. Davis, John G. Carrol, W.A. Jackson, William Payne, Daniel McNamara, Andrew Clancy, Michael McLaughlin, Jonathan H. Baldwin, Henry P. Robinson, Stacy B. Fine, John Ayres, Matthew Brady, R. H. Bennett, Cornelious Van Dermark, John Murphy, James H. Groves, William Anness, Charles P. Seeley, William D Sloan, James C. Smith, Jarvis L. Ayres, Benjamin Haines, J. P. Masseker, John A. Topping, Josiah M. Topping, and Levi W. Towle, and for the appointment of Thomas B. Kissam, as Captain of the Watch and Charles A. Tanner as Assistant Captain of the Watch.

Ref to com. on Watch.

A petition in favor of the re-appointment of Charles J. Farley, as Chief of Police, petition of Stephen W. Treadwell to be appointed a day policeman ; petition of J. Halin for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables ; petition of Walter W. Briggs and Wm. H. Beebe, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern ; and a petition of John Allen, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern. Ref. to com. on police and licenses.

Petition for the appointment of John Francisco, as pound keeper in the fourth ward ; and a petition in favor of the re-appointment of William Sanderson, as superintendent of ferries, wharves and piers, and as city weigher. Ref to com. on public grounds and buildings.

Petition in favor of the appointment of James Fleming, and petition in favor of the appointment of John Jackman, as street commissioner. Ref. to com. on streets.

Petition of George Wilson, and a petition in favor of the appointment of T. F. Morris, as City Physicians. Ref. to com. on public health.

Petition of William C Morris, to be appointed collector of arrears of taxes ; and a petition of Charles G. Sisson, for payment of certain claims against the city, assigned to him by John Bevan, late City Surveyor. Ref to com on finance.

Petition of John S. Bartlett and Charles J. Smith, in relation to the assessment for filling Warren street from Railroad avenue to Morgan street, proposing to pay their fair proportion of the costs &c. Ref. to com. on laws and ordinances.

The official bonds of Benjamin Haines, William Reen and Bernard McAnnally, as constables. Ref. to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of J. Holwell for permission to grade &c., the side walk in front of his property in Sussex st.,

On motion of Ald Wilson, it was

Resolved, that permission be granted to J Holwell (as prayed for in his petition,) to grade, and lay the side walk in front of his own premises, No. 125 Sussex street, on the south side of said street, between Warren and Van Vorst streets, provided that said work be done at his own expense, but under the direction of the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Charles F. Durant for the construction of sewers in portions of Newark Avenue, and Hudson street.

Ref to com on sewers, and the City Clerk directed to publish in the corporation paper that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in June next, at 7½ o'clock P M., to receive and consider all objections to said improvement that may be presented in writing.

Petition of Edgar Olcott and others for the construction of a main sewer through Van Vorst and Grand streets from the termination of the Essex street sewer to the middle of Jersey street or one hundred feet west of said street and to connect with the canal at Jersey street, etc. Ref. to committee on sewers; and the City Clerk directed to publish in the corporation paper notice that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in June next at 7½ o'clock P. M. to receive and consider all objections to said improvement that may be presented in writing.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Of D. Bedford, $25 ; G. E. Cutter, $16 25 ; J. B. Stone, $30 , J. Wandle, $31 25, and $31 25 ; Knickerbocker Ice Company, $5 ; $5, and $1 25. Ref. to committee on public grounds and buildings.

Of A. T. Smith. $100 : Board of City Canvassers, $17 50 ; Officers of Election in First ward $17 50 ; and John Corrigan, $10. Ref. to committee on salaries, offices and elections.

Of Watch Department, $670 80, and J. F. Richardson $8 Ref to com. on watch.

Of N. Ellis, $28 83, and George Fallon, 50 cents. Ref. to com. on police and licenses.

Of Royle and Matthews, $6 43. Ref. to com. on fire and water.

Of Philo Snow, $165 50. Ref. to com. on sewers.

Of G. W. Gardner, $11 62. Ref. to com on finance.

Of E. Hope, Junior, $9 50. Ref to com. on alms.

Of H. Billingsley, $26; J. F. Richardson, $35 75 and Wm. Eaton $20 50 Ref. to com on lamps

The City Treasurer's two reports from March 18th, 1856, to May 1st, 1856, showing a balance of $11 05, in the treasury on the 1st, inst., were presented and referred to the com. on finance.

A report from the Corporation Attorney, giving a statement of the suits in his hands, now pending and undetermined, was presented and referred to the com. on laws and ordinances.

The quarterly report to May 1st, 1856, of George E. Cutter, late Recorder, was presented and referred to the com. on police and licenses.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department announcing the following elections, resignations and expulsions in that department, viz. :

Elections—Of William Bishop, William Keeney, and John R. Halladay, by Hose Co. No. 1; of David Taylor, and W. C. Smith, by Hose Co. No. 3, and of James VanBenschoten, by Engine Co. No. 5.

Resignations—Of O. A. Cramsil and R. H Holdane from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1; of Charles Blackhurst, C. Young Frederick Newcomb, George Woodhead, and S. H. Many, from Hose Co. No. 3.

Expulsion of John Mulford and Wm. Hughes by Engine Co. No. 3.

The communications were received, the elections approved, and the proper entries of the resignations and expulsions were ordered to be made in the roll book of the fire department.

The City Clerk presented a report of the filing of two remonstrances against the building of the proposed sewers in South Seventh street and streets adjacent west of Newark avenue, and in Wayne street, Newark and Railroad aves.---one of which remonstrances was filed in the City Clerk's office on the 30th April, and the other on the 13th May

inst—and laid the remonstrances before the board. Report received, ordered filed, and the two remonstrances referred to the committee on sewers.

The City Clerk presented a notice served upon him on the 14th inst, signed Jacob, Weart, Master in Chancery, commanding the corporation to appear before him, etc, and give a statement of the claims they have against certain property, which has been forelosed, etc. Ref. to com. on laws and ordinances.

The city clerk presented report of publication of notice of filing of the report and assessment map for the sewer in South 7th street, etc., and of notice of application to have Grove street between Pavonia avenue and Mill Creek, regulated etc. Report received and ordered filed.

Ald Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on fire and water, in conjunction with the chief and assistant engineers of the fire department, are hereby authorized and instructed to select and report to this board, a suitable location for a bell tower, and to advertise for sealed proposals for a contract to erect such bell tower for the use of the said department, and to submit said sealed proposals to the Common Council at its next regular meeting.

The resolution was laid upon the table, on motion of Ald. Hoffman.

On motion of Ald Erwin, it was

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday the 27th instant at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Ald Erwin offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas it is desirable that the annual tax and salary ordinances shall be passed at an early day. Therefore—

Resolved, That the President of the Board be requested as soon as he shall have determined upon the Aldermen who are to compose the committees on finance and salaries, offices and elections, to notify said Aldermen of their appointment, and when notified, the chairman of the finance committee be requested to call his committee together, and prepare the tax ordinance for the present year, and report the same to the Common Council at its next regular meeting, and the chairman of the committee on salaries, offices and elections, be requested to call a meeting of his committee and prepare the ordinance fixing salaries, and report said ordinance to this Board at its next regular meeting. The preamble and resolution were adopted.

The committee appointed to wait upon his honor the Mayor, returned and reported that they had performed that duty and that the Mayor would communicate to the Board in writing in the course of a few minutes.

After some discussion as to the legality of the action of the Board on the 5th inst., in appointing a City Clerk and Marshal prior to the election of a President, on motion of Ald. Wilson it was

Resolved, That this Board do now proceed to the appointment of City Clerk.

On motion of Ald. Erwin the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to make the appointment viva voce.

Whereupon Geo. W Cassedy was nominated, and unanimously appointed City Clerk.

On motion of Ald. Wilson it was

Resolved, That this Board do now proceed to the appointment of Marshal.

On motion of Ald. Erwin the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and Nathaniel Ellis was viva voce unanimously appointed City Marshal.

The Mayor's annual Message, accompanied by the Comptroller's annual report, was presented, received, and ordered to be read.

(Ald. Thompson and Hoffman obtained leave and retired)

The City Clerk commenced the reading of the Message; when a portion had been read, on motion of Ald Insley it was

Resolved, That in consequence of the lateness of hour and the absence of several members of the Board, the further reading of the Mayor's Message be suspended until the next meeting of the Common Council.

On motion of Ald. Erwin the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 27, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Thompson.

The reading of the annual message of his Honor the Mayor, which was commenced on the 22d instant was concluded and it was

Resolved, That the message of his honor the Mayor together with the Comptroller's report and the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, be published in the minutes, and that three hundred copies of the message and Comptroller's report be printed together in pamphlet form, and that three hundred copies of the report of the Chief Engineer of the fire department be printed in pamphlet form seperately from the message and Comptroller's report, under the direction of the City Clerk.

The following is a copy of the message and accompanying documents, viz.: the report of the Comptroler, and Chief Engineer of the Fire Department:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, May 5, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council,

The brief period of another municipal year has passed away, and I find myself again called upon to address you in my official capacity. For five times in succession have I been honored by my fellow citizens in their selection of me as Chief Magistrate; marks of confidence which I cannot too highly appreciate, and for which I can best prove my gratitude by a faithful and zealous discharge of the important duties devolving upon me, and by a watchful care for their interests.

I need scarcely report what I have said on former occasions when this honorable position was conferred on me, that I accept it with reluctance and diffidence—reluctance because of its interference in a most serious manner with my private affairs, and diffidence in my ability to meet the requirements which a community has a right to expect and demand from one who accepts a post of such distinguished honor, and one involving such great responsibility.

It is one of the duties devolving upon the Mayor to address the CommonCouncil at the beginning of each municipal year, upon such topics as he may deem worthy of their attention and consideration, and to recommend such measures as in his judgment are demanded by the interests of the community or such as may best conduce to the prosperity of the city.

The experience however, of many years passed in official life, has taught me that recommendations from the Chief Magistrate of a city ,however courteously they may be received, seldom arrest any attention beyond their reception and publication, so far as the corporate authorities are concerned, but even with the consicousness of that neglect before me, I cannot hesitate to discharge the duty which the charter and my oath of office have imposed upon me. I I shall therefore proceed as briefly as the importance of the subjects will allow, to present my views, and recommend such measures, as in my judgment are demanded by the wants and interests of the community.

Few cities in the union possess advantages superior to our own, whether in regard to commercial or internal prosperity We possess a water front equalled only by the great metropolis of this continent. We offer all the advantages of pure water, gas, and every convenience which can add to the comfort and health of those who may seek a residence within our borders.

In point of salubrity, our city is unexcelled. But all these advantages fail to meet due appreciation at the hands of our municipal authorities, and with every requisite for a city of the first class, it is difficult to find our proper place among the cities of the union.

The finances of the city demand our first attention; on their judicious and economical administrvtion depend not only the credit, but the prospertty of the community, and they are inseperable whatever affects the credit or character of a city, effects equally all its constituents, for they are held responsible to other communities for the mode in which their affairs are administered, and justly so. for those who are chosen to legislate for them are presumed to represent their feelings and views, and the character of the one is necessarially affected for good or for evil, by the conduct of the other.

If therefore the finances of a city are conducted in a loose

carless or extravagant manner, the character of the city suffers, as would any mercantile establishment whose course of extravagance or carelessness in its mode of conducting business had become proverbial. The experience of every day enforces this truth, and homely as may be the simicle, it is none the less true During the past year occurrences have transpired in the management of our finances which would have seriously injured the reputation of any corporation whose means were not as publicly known as our own, and whose ability to meet its engagements ultimately, was fortunatel properly appreciated.

It would be useless in me to attempt a detail of those occurrences; they are familiar to every citizen who has watched the progress of municipal affairs, and would only be a repetition of those adverted to in my last annual message.

It is sufficient for me to express the hope, that hereafter no liability will be incurred without a previous provision of the means to meet it, and that the city will not descend to practices, which in a private individual would be stigmatized as dishonorable.

It should be our aim to preserve the credit of our city inviolate, and the experience of the past four years has, I am proud to feel, justified the community in the conviction that no measure, within the control of my prerogative, will ever receive my official sanction, which tends to a violation of our duties as legislators or our obligations to those who place faith in our honor and credit.

The annual expenses of our city are constantly increasing, and to a certain extent this is warranted by the growth of the city, and the steady advance in its population, but such increase of expenses should be strictly limited in each year to the additional revenue derived from the actual increase of taxable property.

It is true that our present indebtedness, with the exception of the amount for the introduction of water is comparatively small, about fifty thousand dollars, but it continues rapidly to increase with each succeeding year.

The only safe system for the management of our finances is to keep our expenditures strictly as the charter requires, within the limits of the several appropriations, and for my views more extended on this point—I would refer you to my last annual communication. In that document I urged the necessity of some important changes in the administration of the financial department, but little or no attention has been paid to them. The importance of the subject justifies me in renewing my recommendations then made, and in inviting your earnest attention thereto.

I refer you to the report of Comptroller, herewith transmitted for a detailed account of our financial operations for the past year, and their present condition.

In my last annual communication I urged strongly upon the attention of the Common Council the propriety of amending the city charter in various particulars which were there in set forth.

In accordance with that recommendation a convention was formed of members selected from the citizens at large and from the Common Council,—The convention has been during the past winter assiduously engaged in the important work committed to them

While I regret that the convention did not complete their work in time for the last legislature, I am happy to say they have made commendable progress in revising the charter. Many valuable amendments have been suggested and prepared in view of the rapid growth of our city, and the changes consequent upon such growth, and if incorporated in the charter, would greatly simplify and facilitate the operations of our city government,—as their labors are not consumated, I trust that measures will be adopted to complete the important work entrusted to them, and that the city may yet have the benefit of their labors, wisdom and experience.

The manner in which assessments are laid for improvements, has long been a source of complaint, and encourages constant litigation.

In every annual communication made by me to the Common Council this subject has been adverted to, and although I must confess that the neglect with which it has been treated, is not calculated to inspire much hope for the future. I feel it my duty, once more, to invite your attention to it. So far as the Mayor is concerned, he is powerless to effect any remedy. He can only propose and recommend, and it is for the Common Council to perfect and consummate every measure that may be necessary to correct an abuse, or that may be demanded by public necessity. This is one of so much importance to owners of property, and one so urgently demanded by every principle of honorable and fair dealing, I venture to hope that no more delay may intervine, but that the remedy suggested in my message of 1853 will at least receive consideration. If the mode suggested then is not found adequate, or is in conflict with your views, any measure which may be introduced, having this end in view, will receive my hearty co-operation.

In this connection I must urge upon you, as I have repeatedly upon your predecessors, the necessity of having executed a general assessment map, which should be uniformly numbered by the most approved system, and should be the only authorized map for levying taxes, laying assessments and water rents, and would thereby save the trouble and inconvenience attendant upon the multiplicity of maps, and the irregular and duplicate numbers with which our city abounds. I would also suggest that the lands claimed by the several Railroad and Canal Companies, terminating within the city limits, to be exempt from taxation, shall be actually surveyed and deliniated on said map, as a guide to the assessors as well as to our citizens.

The condition of our almshouse department, under the judicious management of the worthy and efficient superintendent, justifies commendation.

The care of the poor, the aged, the infirm, and the helpless orphan, is a sacred duty imposed on every community, and it is one which should be discharged with a due regard as well to the interests of those who support them, as to the proper treatment of those imposed upon our care. But it is a fact too notorious for denial, that in every city where public provision is made for this class, there are many who even if they are by reason of poverty or inability to obtain means of support elsewhere, entitled to our sympathy and care, are abundantly able and should be compelled to contribute by their labor towards their own support, and thereby not only benefit themselves by healthy employment, but diminish the burthen of taxation which they would otherwise impose.

This can only be effected by the establishment and organization of a city workhouse, to the necessity of which, I have heretofore adverted in several of my Annual Messages.

The workhouse system has been found to operate with great succes almost universally wherever the experiment has been made. There is one in operation in the city of New York which furnishes employment to hundreds of able bodied paupers who thus contribute to their own support. I have so often called attention to the expediency of organizing a workhouse in connection with the almshouse department, I can only now add that the necessity for its establishment has in no wise diminished, and trust that the subject may receive at your hands the attention which its importance demands.

For a more detailed account of the operations and condition of the almshouse department I refer you to the report of the Superintendent,

The cause of Education, upon the continuance and prosperity of which depend the perpetuity of those great principles upon which rest the foundation of our country's greatness, has, I am happy to say, received due attention from the proper authorities. During the past year, a spacious new School House, erected on the most approved plan, has been completed, and a School organized therein, under the direction of the Board of Education,—which School House will be sufficient to supply the wants of the community for the present. The examinations recently held at the various public schools show that they are in a prosperous and flourishing condition, and that the rising generation receive every care and attention which their condition demands. Too much cannot be done to diffuse the blessings of free education throughout our land, for while knowledge and power go hand in hand, it is equally true, that vice, intemperance, and poverty are the sure attendants of every community where the cause of education is neglected.

The course pursued by our city on this important subject proves that the community is fully alive to the advantages and blessings of popular education, and the zealous care with which these institutions are regarded, afford evidence of

the deep interest with which our citizens feel in the prosperity and perpetuity of this cause.

For the statistical condition of the Public Schools, I refer you to the report of the School Superintendent.

The Fire Department continues to deserve the confidence and regard of the community. Harmony of purpose and action exists among the members, and in point of condition and efficiency it may challenge comparison with that of any other city.

For a more detailed history of the condition of the Department I refer you to the elaborate report of the Chief Engineer, recently presented.

In several former communications to your predecessors, I have urged the necessity of adopting measures to have our streets more thoroughly lighted. Arrangements had been made as I supposed, with the Jersey City Gas Light Company as early as 1851, to have them lighted with gas, on fair and equitable terms, as will appear on referring to the resolution, passed by the Common Council in November of that year.

The terms of that resolution provided that permission be given to the company to lay their mains through the public streets, under he direction of the street committee, on condition, that they would furnish gas for the public lamps and to private consumers, at the same rate, as were charged by the gas companies of the City of New York. Now, however, when the company have accomplished their end, and have obtained the free use of our streets for the laying of their mains, they demand a price to the public and private consumer far exceeding the terms of the resolution. During the past year, resolutions were passed by the Common Council granting additional privileges to the company, irrespective of the conditions of this resolution, which remains in full force, and in direct conflict with an existing ordinance as well as with the charter, they of course did not receive my official sanction, and I trust for the sake of the community that the company will be held to a rigid adherence to the terms of the original resolution so long as it remains unrepealed. It is our duty to protect our citizens who have confided their interests to us, and to provide against any unfair or improper advantage which it may be sought to take against them.

This company have now an actual monopoly for this city—and with the facilities at their command for the manufacture of gas, and the constantly increasing demand, ought to be content with profits, which at the prices named in the resolution referred to, would seem ample to warrant any expense which they may have incurred, and which are best indicated by the eagerness with which the stock of the company is now sought by capitalists.

It is true that neither private individuals nor the public authorities are compelled to use the gas, but the company having asked and obtained permission to lay their mains in our streets for an alleged public accommodation and under stipulations as precise as language could make them, ought in justice to themselves, and the city, honorably carry them out, even though they could evade them, by some legal technicality. I should not be strenuous in my opinion upon this point, if any wrong was thereby to be inflicted on the company, whose enterprise is justly entitled to all credit, but experience has shown that the prices fixed by the conditions of the original resolution, ensure an abundant profit elsewhere, and which will be largely increased here, by the growing demands of the city.

And I trust that no local or personal consideration will be permitted to enter into its discussion, but that equal and exact justice will be administered to the community and the company.

The introduction of the Passaic water into our city, has proved one of the greatest public blessings, and has added largely to the comfort, health and convenience of our citizens. It has been brought to our doors at a cost unparalleled on the score of economy, in the history of similar works, and has contributed more to the prosperity of our city than any public measure which has ever been adopted since its incorporation. While the city of New York brought the Croton to its borders, at a cost of some fourteen millions of dollars, we derive from the Passaic an inexhaustible supply for all public and private uses, at a cost of little more than seven hundred thousand dollars. and the supply can be increased to any reasonable extent at a comparatively trifling additional expense. Already neighboring cities, alive to the great benefits of possessing an abundance of pure and wholesome water. have expressed a desire to participate with us in those advantages, and have sought to avail themselves of the foresight and enterprise of our city.

I am informed that application has been made to the Water Commissioners to supply Hoboken city with water from our reservoir, but I trust no steps will be taken with that view, except upon the most mature deliberation.

The authorities of Jersey City foreseeing its rapid growth and justly desirous of offering every inducement to its further increase, projected and consummated the plan of introducing the Passaic water. The same advantages were open to others who might desire to avail themselves of it, but who from motives of ill judged economy declined, and now that we have, at our own expense, been successful in introducing the water throughout our city, they seek to participate in its benefits on an equal footing with our own citizens.

It is not for me to pass any opinion upon this application, but I trust that no measures will be adopted which will conflict with the interests of our own citizens. They have cheerfully submitted to be burthened with the debt contracted by its introduction, but they would not perhaps as cheerfully submit to share its benefits with others, without a just and reasonable compensation.

This subject will in all probability be brought to your attention from another channel, but professing and cherishing a deep interest in the prosperity of our own city above all others, I have thought it my duty thus to advert to it. For a statement of the condition of the works, the number of miles of pipes laid, the houses supplied with water, and the revenue arising from this source, I refer you to the report of the Board of Water Commissioners, to whom I cannot advert without expressing myopinion that they have in the execution and completion of the works proved eminently worthy the confidence reposed in them by the community.

In the message which I communicatedto the Common Council in 1853, I adverted at some length upon the immediate necessity, as intimately connected with the introduction of the Passaic Water, for a more thorough sewerage of the city—also, upon the importance of a tide-water canal on our northwestern boundary, and the establishment of a permanent water line, on our south and eastern shore, for the purpose of fixing defintiely the manner in which our valuable and extensive shore front shall be improved and beautified. A law has since been obtained for the proposed canal, but in my judgment it will need modification before it can be carried into effect.

The present law proposes to assess for the cost of its construction all lands in the city and county benefited by the improvement according to the benefits received. which seems to me not only impracticable but unjust in its operation. It should be exclusively a city work, and the law for its construction should authorize the city to purchase, in addition to the land that will be required for the canal and wharves, a strip on either side, of some two hundred feet in width at an apprised valuation, and for city purposes. The canal should extend from the Morris Canal up and along the base of the hill to the Hoboken boundary, and thence to the river. It will no doubt at some future time, as soon as the necessities of the city demand it, be continued along the base of the hill, west of Hoboken and terminate at the river near Weehawken. This canal should be constructed large enough to float ordinary coasting vessels. It would no doubt greatly enhance the value of property along its locality, and the tolls from the canal and the rental of the land would in a very few years pay the entire cost of the work, and I am confident would always be a fruitful source of revenue, as well as conduce in the highest degree to the health of our city—and it is not too much to anticipate that ere many years its entire banks would be occupied by manufacturing and mercantile establishments.

Our extension water front is invaluable for purposes of commerce, and yet no inducements have been held out to invite the commercial marine, which now throngs the over crowded wharves of our sister city, even the wharves of Brooklyn are studded with vessels from every clime, and advantages superior to theirs, which nature has so bountifully bestowed upon us lie unimproved. All concede that our harbor is better protected from ice, and storms than those of our neighboring cities. It is true however that our water front has nearly all been ceded away to private corporations or individuals who await their own time and

convenience to improve it, without reference to the wants of commerce or the interests of the city, and it is equally true that we cannot compel them to improve it, no matter how important or great the necessity.

The interests of the city as well as the shore owners require legislative aid for the proper developement and permanant improvement of our surroundeng water front. In this connection I may be permitted to quote the language I held in 1853 when writing upon this subject, and do so in the present hope that it may stimulate all who really desire the prosperity of the city to secure the early adoption of such measures as will best ensure these important inmprovements and give the city the position and character designed by nature, that of the first commercial city in the state, with a port of entry to which she is so justly entitled.

"What citizen can look into our promising future, beholding the elements of greatness on every side, without feelings of exaltation and pride? with a navigable tide water canal on our northern and western bounderies, serv ing the double purpose of flushing our sewers and floating on its bosom, the materials and implements of the workshop and mechanic; with the Morris Canal transferred to a stupendous canal basin, reaching along our entire southern shore front, within the exterior water line, carrying on its surface to our shores, the vast mineral as well as other productions of the states of New Jersey and Pennsylvania; with a park shading and beautifying our eastern front, together with its ship basin and commodious wharves and piers, stretching from the park to the Palisades, accommodating and receiving the commerce and enterprise of every nation; with the great termini in our midst of the net work of a thousand Rail Roads stretching far away in every direction, reaching and to reach even the Pacific, sending and delivering night and day upon our shores the products of a mighty nation. Who can foretell the destiny of a city possessing such advantages; or who shall say that Providence has not blessed us with all the elements of greatness and prosperity."

Having so often addressed the Common Council officially, and I may say with so little effect, even upon the most important topics of public interest, it would seem at most a waste of time to invite again attention to those subjects, so long neglected, and yet so imperiously demanded by the necessities of our city.

The careful revision and compilation of the ordinances of the City, has been again and again recommended, but no steps have been taken to accomplish the object.

The necessity for the construction of sewers or drains in our streets,and laying the gas and water pipes prior to filling and paving them, has been repeatedly urged upon the Common Council,and no changes as to the order of their improvements have been made.

The proper improvement of our public grounds, and the erection of proper accomodations for the public offices has been pressed for years past, and no change has been effected.

These and other meaeures of equal importance have been annuallp brought to the attention of the Common Council but nothing has been done to carry any of them into operation.

No public hall adorns our city, not even a temporary one which might be constructed to yield a revenue, nor yet can we boast of a public Bell which we may call our own, to sound an alarm, or ring the welcome of a distinguished guest or a national holiday. We have strangely lost sight of our true and high position, and are fast assuming the attitude of a sub-corporation, already subservient to private corporations, and mere tenants to dictatorial landlords, and all this, is from a lack of public spirit on the part of our rulers, who have seemed so entirely engrosed in the attainment of personal or political ends, as to forget that their first duty was due to the city, which honored them by placing its interests in their keeping.

And now gettlemen as I shall never again have the opportunity of addressing you officially, for it is my unalterable determination not again to assume the responsiblity of this office, after my presen official term, let me for the last time remind you that we have been elected and sworn to protect and serve solely the interests of our city, and one common constituency, let no local, sectional, or political preferences swerve us from a faithful discharge of our whole duty—let us not remain passive while so much remains to be done,—and above all let us seek from that source whence all knowledge and power proceed, wisdom to guide, and strength to discharge faithfully the duties and responsibility which have devolved upon us.

I have given you plainly my views, I have discharged what I conceived to be my duty,and remembering our oaths of office, and mindful of the high trusts committed to us, I conclude by reiterating that every measure having for its end the true interests and welfare of our city, shall have my hearty co-operation, while to none will I give my official sanction, which is not in strict conformity with the provisions of our charter, or which seeks to effect personal or local aggrandizement at the expense of public good.

D. S. MANNERS.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Of the Comptroller to the Common Council of Jersey City, for the year ending April 30, 1856.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City:

The undersigned respectfully presents the annexed Annual Report of the Finances of the City, for the year ending on the 31st day of April, 1856.

J. V. HARDENBERGH, Comptroller.

Comptroller's office, Jersey City, May 13, 1856.

A Refers to Balance Sheet, March 15th, 1855.

B " Appropriations of Tax for the year Commencing May 1st, 1855.

C " Statement of Expenditures on accounts provided for by appropriations.

D " General Statement of Receipts and Expenditures on all accounts, from March 15th, 1855, to May 1st, 1856.

E " Balance Sheet May 1st, 1856.

F " Statement of Bonds issued from March 15th, 1855, to May 1st, 1856.

G " " " Redeemed " " " " "

H " " " outstanding May 1st, 1856.

I " " " Improvement Certificates issued from March 15th, 1855, to May 1st 1856.

J " Statement of payments on account of Improvement Certificates from May 15th, 1855, to May 1st, 1856.

K " " " Improvement Certificates outstanding April 30, 1856.

L " " " School House, No. 2 4th Ward.

A

Dr. *Balance Sheet, March 15th 1855, as per Last Report.* *Cr.*

City Treasury	$4397	75	Corporation,	53455	37
I. S. Miller,	699	91	City Stock,	15000	00
Water Commissioners,	550	00	Bonds Payable,	33637	03
Justus Slater,	100	00	Imp. Certificates,	50169	57
Alex Wilson,	120	00	Redemption of lots,	287	80
J. W. Parker,	38	91	Warrants,	2244	81
Bills receivable,	1000	00	Montgomery st. opening,	150	00
Barrow street assessment,	455	39	Grand st. assessment sewer,	64	94
Hudson street regulation,	1409	59	Do. Warren to Van Vorst	22	03
Grove street assessment	13	71	Hudson, Wayne to Mercer,	16	00
Michigan do.	16	62			
Newark ave. do.	842	86			
Grand st. Grove to Jersey,	656	13			
Bright street regulation,	462	50			
Washington, Wayne and Greene,	464	14			
Well & Pump Savory's Foundry,	25	06			
Do. Monmouth street,	18	02			
Washington street, Steuben,	155	13			
Warren st, Montgomery to Morgan,	1234	20			
R.R. ave. south side between Newark ave. and Gilbert sts.	188	26			
Jersey Avenue,	1418	16			
Grand st. Henderson to Grove,	892	13			
Montgomery, Grove to Barrow,	178	32			
South 8th st. Newark ave to Brunswick,	255	75			
South 7th st. Grove to Jersey,	448	22			
Erie st Pavonia ave. to South 9th st.	951	76			
City Property,	92019	33			
Barrow street Grand to Bright,	113	96			
R. R. ave. north side from Newark ave to Prospect,	85	83			
Morgan st. Warren to Prospect,	1993	88			
Do. Grove to Greene,	4664	17			
Montgomery from Grove to Henderson	552	82			
R.R. ave. Grove to Gilbert,	30	62			
R. R. ave. north side from Warren to Prospect,	544	35			
Warren st. Essex to Bergen,	305	30			
Do. Newark ave to Morgan,	227	47			
Prospect st. Newark ave. Bay,	590	55			
Coles st. South 2d to South 4th st.	1554	27			
South 3d st. Jersey to Monmouth	466	93			
South 5th st. Erie to Prospect,	1318	16			
R.R. ave. north side Jersey to Brunswick	2697	17			
Grand st. Jersey to Mill Creek,	6166	66			
York st. Warren to Henderson	208	62			
Grand st. Van Vorst to Grove,	3720	19			
South 8th st. Grove to Newark ave.	3614	86			
South 6th st Jersey to Newark ave.	1945	45			
Montgomery, Henderson to V. Vorst,	321	81			
South 1st st. Grove to Erie,	148	59			
South 4th do.	757	11			
Hudson, Wayne to Mercer,	539	45			
Henderson, Grand to Newark ave.	1382	80			
South 2d st. Grove to Coles,	1783	34			
South 4th st. Coles to Erie,	2598	32			
South 6th st. Jersey ave. to Grove,	112	77			
Sunken lots, lots 73 & 74,	2078	44			
Prospect, Bay and Pavonia,	4600	00			
Hudson, Essex 100 feet south	1011	83			
	$155047	55		$155047	55

B

Tax Appropriations for the year commencing May 1st, 1855.

For Street Repairs,	$3000 00
Do. Cleaning,	2150 00
Do. Lighting,	3500 00
For Support of the Day and Night Police, or for the support of the Police of Jersey City in addition to the fines received from the Police Department,	9000 00
" Extra service of Day Police	700 00
" Alms House and relief of Poor	4500 00
" Support of a Hospital	100 00
" Do. City Prison	500 00
" Do. Public Schools exclusive of Poll Tax and revenue from General S. Fund,	9000 00
" Erecting and maintaining of Fire Engine Houses,	2000 00
" Supporting and maintaining of Fire Engines and apparatus	3000 00
" Salaries	7000 00
" Rent of Buildings and for Public Offices,	1200 00
" Printing, Stationary and supplies for P. Offices,	500 00
" Public Grounds and Buildings,	500 00
" Enlargement of Nursery from Alms Department,	400 00
" Celebration of Fourth of July,	400 00
" Interest,	4000 00
" Sinking Fund	500 00
" Do. Deficiency,	2000 00
" Interest required by Water Commissioners for deficency,	13000 00
" Water rents for F. D. assessed by Water Commissioners,	1000 00
" Legal expenses,	300 00
" Removal of nuisances	100 00
" Deficiency on appropriations for 1854	10000 00
" Protection of Public Health	200 00
" Expenses of Election,	200 00
" Contingent expenses	500 00
" Official Emblems	250 00
	$79500 00

C

Statement of Expenditures on accounts provided for by appropriations made under Tax Ordinance for the year 1855, commencing May 1st, 1855.

Street Repairs,	$981 99	
Do Cleaning,	1611 00	
Do Lighting,	2573 97	
Police account,	7815 88	
Day Police,	1350 27	
Alms House and Poor,	5265 06	
Hospital support of	100 00	
City Prison	729 96	
Public School support of	11478 93	
Fire Engine houses Erecting and Maintaining	369 39	
Do. and Apparatus	2638 89	
Salaries	7789 86	
Rent of Buildings,	638 34	
Printing, Stationary and Supplies	881 32	
Public Grounds and Buildings	244 96	
Nursery Enlargement,	326 00	
Fourth of July celebration	405 50	
Interest	3429 21	
Interest required by Water Commissioners for deficiency	13000 00	
Water Rents	1000 00	
Legal expenses	429 86	
Removal of nuisances,	33 87	
Election	147 00	
Deficiency of appropriation for 1854	10000 00	
Official Emblems	250 00	
Contingent expenses	1395 32	
Public School House No 2, 4th ward	16663 86	
		91,550 44
The above accounts credited by the following :		
Police account by fines collected	1326 00	
Day Police by Licenses collected	1022 00	
Public Schools by Poll Tax and State School Fund quota	3262 26	
Contingent by Sundries	243 96	
		5854 22
		85696 22
Appropriation as per Tax Ordinance for 1855,		79500 00
Deficiency,		6196 22
Amount bills unpaid, contracted during the fiscal year 1855, about		5000 00
Actual deficiency for year 1855, about		$11196 22

D

Statement of Receipts and expenditures on all accounts from March 16th 1855, to May 1st, 1856.

RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURES.		
Balance in Treasury, March 16, 1855		$4397 75	Bonds payable,		$74147 29
Taxes of 1851		13 66	Corporation		1142 76
Do. 1852		130 65	Assessments		68341 59
Do. 1853		101 64	Redemption of Lots,		2794 89
Do. 1854		10416 03	Water Commissioners,		16000 00
Do. 1855		65584 68	Taxes of 1852		10 98
Bonds Payable		82828 68	Do 1853		19 98
Redemption of lots		2688 71	Do 1854		57 99
Assessment		66352 68	Do 1855		21 62
Interest		4181 97	Interest,		7622 10
Contingent		1064 47	Contingent		5052 69
Public Schools,		9 95	Public Grounds & Buildings, old act 1854		27 39
Fines and Licenses,		2507 00	Do. Schools, old act 1854,		3184 13
School Fund quota	$1875 76	3262 27	Watch do.		2630 88
Poll Tax	1386 50		School houses maintaining do.		189 29
Total amount		$243470 03	Salaries do.		2049 89
To amt. bonds unpaid	$2800 00		City Prison, do.		193 10
Do. requisitions	384 35	7482 14	Alms House, do.		3856 44
Do. warrants	4297 79		Poor do.		1065 17
			Engine house building do.		1266 81
			Street repairing, do.		539 70
			Lighting streets do.		800 05
			Fire Engine and apparatus do.		661 33
			Cleaning streets do.		1250 00
			Street repearing, new act 1855		981 99
			Do cleaning do.		1074 00
			Do lighting do.		2573 97
			Police Account		7788 88
			Day Police		1350 27
			Alms house and poor		5493 31
			City Prison		669 21
			Public Schools support of		11478 93
			Fire Engine houses erect. and maintaining		369 39
			Do. and apparatus		2638 89
			Salaries		7789 86
			Rent		638 34
			Printing, Stationary and supplies		840 82
			Public Grounds and Buildings		244 96
			Nursery enlargement		326 00
			Fourth of July Celebration		405 50
			Legal expenses		429 86
			Removal of Nuisances		33 87
			Election		147 00
			Official Emblems,		250 00
			Public school house No. 2		10245 18
					$248,696 30
			To warrants unpaid, March 15, 1855		2244 81
			Balance in Treasury, April 30, '56		11 06
		$250952 17			$250,952 17

E.

Dr. *Balance sheet from March 15th, 1855, to May 1st, 1856.* Cr.

City Property,	$110,916	69	Corporation,	$80,670	91
Newark av. Grove to Warren,	75	00	City Treasury,	373	29
Deficiency Acct. of 1855,	6,196	22	Bonds Payable,	56,375	00
Taxes of 1855,	20,256	46	Warrants,	4,297	79
South 3d st., Jersey av. to Prospect st.,	1,388	76	Imp. Certificates,	40,935	40
			Redemption of Lots,	181	62
York st. Henderson to Jersey sts,	2,611	73	City Stock,	14,000	00
Grand st. Jersey to Mill Creek,	19,094	17	Water Commissioners,	3,769	52
Prospect st. Bay st. to Pavonia av.	2,148	19	Montgomery st. opening,	100	00
Van Vorst st. Grand to Gregory,		03	Railroad av. sewer,	150	00
Jersey avenue opening,	112	00	South 3d st. sewer,	75	00
Grove street do.	12	00	Grand st. Henderson to P. Square,	64	94
South 7th st. Jersey to Newark av.	1,166	48	Well and Pump, Monmouth and Booraem,	10	98
Jersey street,	7,057	98			
Isaac S. Miller,	699	91	Railroad av. Newark av. to Gilbert st.	31	93
Bills Receivable,	1,000	00	Grand st. Warren to Van Vorst st.	22	03
Barrow st. Newark av. to Canal st.	455	39	Montgonery st. Grove to Henderson st.	65	32
Hudson st. regulating,	1,409	59	Warren st. Essex to Bergen,	2	29
Grove st. Montgomery st. to Newark av.,	13	71	Coles st. South 2d to South 4th st.	14	13
			South 3d st. Jersey av. to Monmouth st.	16	00
Michigan st. Grove st. to Newark av.	16	62	Hudson st. Wayne to Mercer st.	16	00
Newark av. Grove to Monmouth st.	599	33	York st. Warren to Henderson st.	3	78
Grand st. Grove to Jersey sts,	513	39	Montgomery st. Henderson to Van Vorst st.	16	01
Bright do. do do. Barrow sts,	393	08			
Washington, Wayne and Green sts,	464	14	South 1st st. Grove to Erie st.	18	00
Well and Pump near Savory's foundry	1	31	South 4th st. Grove to Erie st.	16	03
Washington st Steuben to Morgan,	155	13	South 2d st. Grove to Coles st.	23	41
Warren st. Montgomery to Morgan st,	1,034	87	South 4th st. Coles to Erie st.	14	91
Jersey av. south 2d st. to Newark av.	920	37	South 6th st Jersey av. to Grove st.	16	00
Grand st. Henderson to Grove st.	892	13	Hudson st. Essex to 100 feet south,	16	00
Montgomery st. Grove to Barrow st.	178	32			
South 8th st. Newark av. to Brunswick st.	93	51			
Sonth 7th st. Grove to Jersey st.	382	29			
Erie st. Pavonia av. to South 9th st.	744	75			
Barrow st. Grand to Bright st.	113	96			
Railroad av. Newark av. to Prospect st.	85	83			
Morgan st. Warren to Prospect st.	1,840	87			
do. do. Grove to Greene st.	419	91			
Railroad av. Grove to Gilbert st.	15	98			
do. do. Warren to Prospect st.	304	53			
Warren st. Newark av. to Morgan st	227	47			
Prospect st. do. do. to Bay st.	78	82			
South 5th st. Erie to Prospect st.	37	52			
Railroad av. Jersey st. to Brunswick st.	884	82			
Grand st. Van Vorst to Grove st.	3,166	51			
South 8th st. Grove to Newark av.	856	72			
South 6th st. Jersey to Newark av's	651	87			
Hudson st. Wayne to Mercer st.	539	45			
Henderson st. Grand to Newark av.	22	32			
Sunken lots. Railroad av., Prospect and Morgan sts.	449	81			
Deficiency Acct. 1854,	10,596	35			
	$201,296	29		$201,296	29

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Statement of Bonds issued from March 15, 1855, to May 1, 1856.

Date.	No.	On What Account.	Time.	When Due.	Amount.
April 10, 1855,	50	Loan	5 years.	April 10, 1860,	$1,000 00
Do. 28, "	51	Temporary Loan	3 mos.	July 28, 1855,	3,000 00
May 3, "	52	do. do.	do.	Aug. 3, 1855,	2,000 00
June 7, "	53	do. do.	208 days.	Jan'y 1, 1856,	5,000 00
April 27, "	54	do. do.	3 mos.	July 27, 1855,	5,000 00
June 21, "	55	do. do.	90 days.	Sept. 19, "	5,000 00
Aug. 6, "	56	do. do.	6 mos.	Feb. 6, 1856,	1,000 00
Do. 6, "	57	do. do.	do.	Do. 6, "	1,000 00
Do. 6, "	58	do. do.	do.	Do. 6, "	1,000 00
Do. 6, "	59	do. do.	do.	Do. 6, "	1,000 00
Do. 6, "	60	do. do.	do.	Do. 6, "	1,000 00
Sept. 6, "	61	do. do.	do.	March 6, 1856,	1,000 00
Do. 24, "	62	do. do.	4 mos.	Jan'y 24, "	1,000 00
Do. 24, "	63	do. do.	6 mos.	Mar. 24, "	1,000 09
Oct. 5, "	64	do. do.	60 days.	Dec. 5, 1855,	1,618 00
Do. 6, "	65	do. do.		Jan'y 1, 1856,	5,000 00
Do. 6, "	66	do. do.		Do. 1, "	3,000 00
Do. 6, "	67	do. do.		Do. 1, "	2,000 00
Do. 6, "	68	do. do.		Do. 1, "	5,000 00
Do. 20, "	69	Public School House, No. 2	60 days.	Dec. 19, 1855,	970 00
Do. 20, "	70	do. do.	do.	Do. 19, "	970 00
Do. 17, "	71	Cleaning Streets,	do.	Do. 15, "	537 00
Do. 24, "	72	Temporary Loan	do.	Do. 22, "	2,200 58
Do 29, "	73	Exchange for Imp. Certificate,	53 days.	Do. 22, "	2,511 00
Do. 30, "	74	Public School House, No. 2,	52 days.	Do. 20, "	819 98
Nov. 12, "	75	do. do.	40 days	Do. 22, "	1,658 70
Do. 24, "	76	do do.	6 mos.	May 24, 1856.	500 00
Do. 24, "	77	do. do.	do.	Do. 24, "	500 00
Do. 24, "	78	do. do.	do.	Do. 24, "	500 00
Do. 24, "	79	do. do.	do.	Do. 24, "	500 00
Jan'y 1, 1856.	80	Temporary Loan	30 days.	Jan'y 30, "	5,000 00
Do. 1, "	81	do. do.	60 days.	Mar. 1, "	5,000 00
Do. 1, "	82	do. do.	90 days.	Do. 31, "	5,000 00
March 18, "	83	Loan and Fund Por. Float. Debt	10 years.	Do. 18, 1866,	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	84	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	85	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	86	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	87	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18 "	88	do. do.	10 years.	Mar. 18, 1866,	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	89	do do.	do	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	90	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	91	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	92	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	93	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	94	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	95	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	96	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	97	do. do.	do	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	98	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	99	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	100	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18, "	101	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
Do. 18. "	102	do. do.	do.	Do. 18, "	1,000 00
June 1, "		Bond and Mortgage of to Backus W., C. Van Voast, assumed by C. Council in part payment for lots for Engine House, No. 5, in Third Ward			800 00
					$93,085 20

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Statement of Bonds redeemed from March 15, 1855 to May 1,1856.

Date.	No.	On What Account.	When due.	When paid.	Amount,
Aug. 14, 1847,	32	Mortgage	1852,	April 11, 1855,	$500 00
Jan. 27, 1855,	48	Temporary Loan	April 27, 1855,	June 22, "	5000 00
Feb. 15, "	49	Purchase money for Hose	May 19, "	May 19, "	562 03
April 28, "	51	Temporary Loan	July 28, "	Oct. 15, "	3000 00
May 3, "	52	do. do.	Aug. 3, "	Do. " "	2000 00
June 7, "	53	do. do.	Jan. 1, 1856,	Dec. 31, "	5000 00
April 27, "	54	do. do.	July 27, 1855,	Oct. 15, "	5000 00
June 21, "	55	do. do.	Sept. 19, "	Do. " "	5000 00
Sept. 24, "	62	do. do.	Jan. 24, 1856.	Jan. 25, 1856.	1000 00
Do. 6, "	61	do. do.	March 6, "	March 8, "	1000 00
Do. 24, "	63	do. do.	Do. 24, "	Do. 26, "	1000 00
Oct. 5, "	64	do. do.	Dec. 7, "	Dec. 19, 1855.	1618 00
Do. 6, "	65	do. do.	Jan. 1, "	Do. 31, "	5000 00
Do. " "	66	do. do.	Do. " "	Do. " "	3000 00
Do. " "	67	do. do.	Do. " "	Do. " "	2000 00
Do. " "	68	do. do.	Do. " "	Do. " "	5000 00
Do. 20, "	69	Public School House No. 2	Dec. 19, 1855,	Jan. 5, 1856.	970 00
Do. " "	70	do. do.	Do. " "	Dec. 22, 1855.	970 00
Do. 17, "	71	Cleaning streets	Do. 15, "	Do. 20, "	537 00
Do. 24, "	72	Temporary Loan	Do. 22, "	Do. 26, "	2200 58
Do. 29, "	73	Exchange for Imp. Cer'fit.	Do. 20, "	March 13, 1856	2511 00
Do. 30, "	74	Public School House No. 2	Do. 20, "	Dec. 20, 1855	819 98
Nov. 12, "	75	do. do.	Do. 22, "	Dec. 22, 1855	1658 70
Jan. 1, 1856	80	Temporary Loan	Jan. 30, 1856.	March 25, 1856	5000 00
Do. " "	81	do. do.	March 1, "	Do. " "	5000 00
Do. " "	82	do. do.	Do. 31, "	April 1, "	5000 00
Oct. 15, 1849	11	City Stock Perm't Loan	Oct. 15, 1855,	Oct. 19, 1855.	1000 00
					$71,347 29

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Statement of Bonds outstanding against Jersey City to May 1st, 1856.

Date.	No.	On What Account.	Time.	When due.	Amount.
July 1, 1853,	26	Loan	10 years,	July 1, 1863,	$1,250 00
do. " "	27	do.	do.	Do do	1,250 00
Oct. 20, 1846,	37	Mortgage	do.	Oct 20, 1856,	4,000 00
June 1, 1849,	40	do.	5 do.	June 1, 1854,	1,000 00
" " "	41	do.	3 do.	Do 1, 1852,	500 00
" 27, 1851,	2	do.	10 do.	Do 27, 1861,	3,300 00
Dec. 22, 1851,	11	do.	5 do.	Dec. 22, 1856,	475 00
Nov. 20, 1849,		do.	1 do.		800 00
Oct. 4, 1852,		Bond & Mortgage			800 00
Aug. 1, 1854	35	Public School Lots, 4th ward	5 years,	Aug. 1, 1859,	1,000 00
" " "	36	do. do. do.	do	do	1,000 00
" " "	37	do. do. do.	do	do	1,000 00
" " "	38	do. do. do.	do	do	1,000 00
" " "	39	do. do. do.	do	do	1,000 00
" " "	33	Loan	2 years,	Do 1, 1856,	10,000 00
April 10, 1855,	50	do.	5 do	April 10, 1860,	1,000 00
Aug. 6, "	56	Temporary Loan	6 mos.	Feb. 6, 1856,	1,000 00
" " "	57	do do.	do	do	1,000 00
" " "	58	do. do.	do	do	1,000 00
" " "	59	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	60	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Nov. 24, "	76	Fourth Ward School House	do	May 24, 1856,	500 00
" " "	77	do. do do.	do	do	500 00
" " "	78	do. do. do.	do	do	500 00
" " "	79	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
March 18, "	83	L. to Fund portion of floating Dt.	10 years,	March 18, 1866,	500 00
" " "	84	do. do. do:	do	do	1000 00
" " "	85	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	86	do. do, do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	87	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	88	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	89	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	90	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	91	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	92	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	93	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
" " "	94	do do. do	do	do	1000 00
" " "	95	L. to Fund portion of floating Dt.	do	do	1000 00
March 18, 1856	96	do. do. do.	10 years,	March 18, 1866,	1000 00
Do. do. do.	97	do do. do	do	do	1000 00
Do. do do.	98	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	99	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	100	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	101	do. do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	102		do	do	1000 00
					$56,375 00

CITY STOCKS.

May 23, 1849,	1	Permanent Loan	14.ys.9m.	Feb. 23, 1864,	1000 00
Do. do. do.	2	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	3	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	4	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	5	do. do.	10 years,	May 23, 1859,	1000 00
Do. do. do.	6	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	7	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	8	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	9	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	10	do, do.	14.ys.9m.	Feb. 23, 1864,	1000 00
Oct. 15, 1849,	12	do. do.	8 years,	Oct. 15, 1857,	1000 00
Do. do. do.	13	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
Do. do. do.	14	do. do.	9 years,	Oct. 15, 1858,	1000 00
Do. do do.	15	do. do.	do	do	1000 00
					$70,375 00

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Statement of Improvement Certificates issued to Contractors, from March 15, 1855, to May 1, 1856.

Date.	No.	Name.	On What Account.	Amount.
May 2, 1855,	162	Charles Tanner	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavon. av	$2340 00
Do. 2, "	163	D Keenan	Van Vorst st fr Grand to Gregory st	1438 52
Do. 2, "	164	D Keenan	South 5th st fr Erie to Brunswick st	2200 00
June 25, "	1	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	1000 00
Do. 25, "	2	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	1000 00
Do. 25, "	3	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	1000 00
Do. 25. "	4	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	500 00
Do. 25, "	5	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	500 00
Do. 25, "	6	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	500 00
Do. 25, "	7	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	500 00
Do. 25, "	8	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	500 00
Do. 25, "	9	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	500 00
Do. 25, "	10	J F Fielder	Grand st fr Jersey st to Mill creek	300 00
July 7, "	11	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	1000 00
Do. 7, "	12	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	1000 00
Do. 7, "	13	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	1000 00
Do. 7, "	14	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	1000 00
Do. 7, "	15	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	500 00
Do. 7, "	16	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	500 00
Do. 7, "	17	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	500 00
Do. 7, "	18	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	500 00
Do. 7, "	19	C A Tanner	Prospect st fr Bay st to Pavonia av	560 26
Do. 7, "	20	Bacot & Wood	Surveys, &c. of the above	400 00
Do. 7, "	21	D Keenan	Van Vorst st fr Grand st to Gregory	719 26
Do. 7, "	22	Bacot & Wood	Surveys, &c. of the above	60 00
Do. 7, "	23	William Moore	Superintending ditto	28 75
Aug. 24, "	24	Henderson & Wilson	Mercer st fr Wash'gton st to Warren	132 80
Do. 24, "	25	Henderson & Wilson	Mercer st fr Wash'gton st to Warren	511 03
Do. 24, "	26	Henderson & Wilson	Mercer st fr Wash'gton st to Warren	794 45
Sept. 22, "	27	D Keenan	South 5th st fr Erie st to Newark av	1000 00
Do. 22, "	28	D Keenan	South 5th st fr Erie st to Newark av	1000 00
Do. 22, "	29	D Keenan	South 5th st fr Erie st to Newark av	1000 00
Do. 22, "	30	D Keenan	South 5th st fr Erie st to Newark av	1000 00
Do. 22, "	31	D Keenan	South 5th st fr Erie st to Newark av	1000 00
Do. 22, "	32	D Keenan	South 5th st fr Erie st to Newark av	554 02
Do. 22, "	33	Bacot & Wood	Surveys, &c of the above	300 00
Do. 22, "	34	William Moore	Superintending ditto	101 87
Do. 22, "	35	Bacot & Wood	Surveys, &c. Merc st fr Wash to War	43 00
Do. 22, "	36	William Moore	Superintending of the above	16 25
Oct. 1, "	37	Bacot & Wood	Surveys, &c. S. 5th fr Erie to N'k av	30 00
Do. 1, "	38	D Keenan	Regulating the above	1000 00
Do. 1, "	39	D Keenan	Regulating ditto	1000 00
Do. 1, "	40	D Keenan	Regulating ditto	1000 00
Do. 1, "	41	D Keenan	Regulating ditto	300 00
Nov. 24, "	42	J F Fielder	Filling Sunken Lots on Bright st bt Barrow and Jersey sts	137 60
Do. 24, "	43	Quaife & Otley	Surveys, &c. of the above	12 40
Do. 24, "	44	P McPharlin	South 3d st bt Jersey av and Pros st	1000 00
Jan'y 3, 1856,	45	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	1000 00
Do. 3, "	46	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	1000 00
Do. 3, "	47	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	1000 00
Do. 3, "	48	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	500 00
Do. 3, "	49	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	500 00
Do. 3, "	50	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	500 00
Do. 3, "	51	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	500 00
Do. 3, "	52	C G Sisson	York st fr Henderson st to Jersey st	525 69
Do. 3, "	53	J B & D E Culver	Surveys, &c. of the above	164 55
Do. 3, "	54	William Moore,	Superintending ditto	115 62
Do. 5, "	55	P McPharlin	South 3d st bt Jersey av and Pros st	500 00
Do. 5, "	56	P McPharlin	South 3d st bt Jersey av and Pros st	175 00
			Amount Carried forward,	38421 07

Date.	No.	Name.	On What Account.	Amount.
			Amount brought forward,	38421 07
Do. 5, "	57	P McPharlin	South 3d st bt Jersey av and Pros st	175 00
Do. 5, "	58	Bacot & Wood,	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	200 00
Do. 5, "	59	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	60	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	61	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	62	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	63	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	64	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	65	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	66	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	67	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	68	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	1000 00
Do. 5, "	69	J F Fielder	Surveys Grand st fr Jers st to Mill cr	969 93
Mar. 3, "	70	William A Cummings	Jersey st fr Mercer st to Grand	1000 00
Do. 3, "	71	William A Cummings	Jersey st fr Mercer st to Grand	1000 00
Do. 3, "	72	William A Cummings	Jersey st fr Mercer st to Grand	1000 00
Do. 3, "	73	William A Cummings	Jersey st fr Mercer st to Grand	1000 00
Do. 3, "	74	William A Cummings	Jersey st fr Mercer to Grand street	1000 00
Do. 3, "	75	William A Cummings	Jersey st fr Mercer to Grand street	1000 00
Do. 3, "	76	William A Cummings	Jersey st fr Mercer to Grand street	835 03
Do. 3, "	77	Quaife & Otley	Surveys do.	104 20
Do. 3, "	78	William Moore	Superintending do.	118 75
Do. 4, "	79	James S Noyes	South 7th st bt N. av and Jersey st.	500 00
Do. 4, "	80	James S Noyes	do. do. do.	500 00
Do. 4, "	8	James S Noyes	do. do. do.	500 00
Do. 4, "	82	James S Noyes	do. do. do.	500 00
Do. 4, "	83	James S Noyes	do. do. do.	332 44
Do. 4, "	84	William G Hunt	Superintending do.	50 00
Do. 4, "	85	Quaife & Otley	Surveys do.	30 00
Do. 25, "	86	C G Sisson	South 3d st fr Jersey av to Prospect st	88 75
Do. 25, "	87	E H Main	do. do. do.	252 39
Do. 25, "	88	R C Bacot	do. do. do.	160 00
Do. 25, "	89	J R Halliday	do. do. do.	207 46
Do. 25, "	90	P McPharlin	do. do. do,	223 86
Do. 25, "	91	John M Leonard	do. do. do.	138 75
Do. 25, "	92	D E Culver	Surveys do.	34 60
				$60,342 23

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Statement of Payment by requisition on account of Improvement Certificates from March 16th, 1855 to May 1st, 1856.

MARCH 15TH TO 31ST INCLUSIVE.

NO.		ON WHAT ACCOUNT.	AMOUNT.	
111	in full	Regulating York st. from Henderson to Warren sts.	$51 25	
110	"	do. do.	3 75	
143	"	do. Henderson from Grand st. to Newark ave.	359 96	
161	"	do. Hudson st. from Essex to 100 feet south	40 00	
				454 96

APRIL.

160	on act.	do. Hudson st. from Essex to 100 feet south	685 25	
41	in full	do. R. R. ave. to Prospect and Warren streets	517 04	
35	on act.	do. Morgan street from Grove to Greene streets	180 00	
135	"	do. South 2d street from Grove to Coles street	350 00	
				1732 29

MAY.

104	on act	do. North side of R.R. ave from Jersey to Brunswick streets	120 00	
134	"	do. South 2d st, from Grove to Coles streets	160 00	
76	"	do. South 8th st. from Grove to Newark avenue	800 00	
				1080 00

JUNE.

152	do.	Sunken lots on Morgan, Prospect and Bay sts.	250 00	
30	do.	Barrow street from Bright to Grand streets	200 00	
83	do,	South 6th street from Jersey ave to Newark	350 00	
78	do.	South 8th st. from Grove st. to Newark ave	1000 00	
79	do.	South 8th st. from Grove st to Newark ave	1000 00	
31	do.	North side of R. R. ave from Prospect st to New ark avenue	179 29	
26	do.	Montgomery st between Grove and Barrow sts	208 89	
45	do.	Prospect st from Newark avenue to Bay street	110 00	
47	do	South side of South 3d st between Jersey ave. and Monmouth street	100 00	
70	do.	R.R. ave north side between Jersey ave and Brunswick street	1130 00	
142	do.	Henderson st from Grand st to Newark ave.	250 00	
147	do.	Grand st. between Grove and Van Vorst st.	600 00	
95	do.	South 4th street from Grove to Erie st.	357 00	
135	do.	South 2d street from Grove to Coles st.	89 00	
				5824 18

JULY.

30	do.	Barrow street from Bright to Grand street	107 42	
11	do.	Erie st. from Pavonia ave and South 9th st.	269 00	
9 & 10	do.	Erie st from Pavonia ave to South 9th st.	1000 00	
54	do.	Coles st between South 2d and South 4th st	330 00	
137	do.	South 2d street from Grove to Coles streets	318 00	
142	do.	Henderson st. from Grand to Newark avenue	189 00	
160	do.	Hudson from Essex to 100 feet south	272 58	
160	do.	Hudson from Essex to 100 feet south	22 11	
131	do	South 4th st. from Coles to Erie streets	409 00	
137	do	South 2d st. from Grove to Coles street	139 47	
35	do.	Morgan st. from Grove to Greene streets	320 00	
32	do.	Morgan st. from Grove to Greene streets	775 00	
153	do.	Filling sunken lots between R.R. ave, Prospect and Morgan street, &c	110 00	
145	do	Grand st. between Grove and Van Vorst streets	200 00	
54	do.	Coles st. from South 2d to South 4th streets	79 00	
				4522 58

AUGUST.

90	do.	Montgomery st from Henderson to Van Vorst	18 75	
118	do.	Henderson st between Newark av & Grand st	58 12	
137	do.	South 2d st from Grove to Coles streets	56 61	
70	do.	R. R. av. north side, bt Jersey and Brunswick st	290 00	
142	do.	Henderson st from Grand st to Newark av	220 00	
133	do.	South 4th st from Coles to Erie street	270 00	
88	do.	Montgomery st from Henderson to V. Vorst st	150 00	
76	do	South 8th st from Grove to Newark avenue	200 00	
157	do.	Prospect st from Bay street to Pavonia av	900 00	
94	do.	South 4th st from Grove to Erie streets	331 70	
157	do.	Prospect st from Bay street to Pavonia av	100 00	
163	do	Van Vorst st from Grand to Gregory streets	1438 52	
152	do.	Filling sunken lots bt Railroad av. Prospect, Morgan and Bay streets	176 00	
104	do.	R. R. av. north side from Jersey to Brunswick st	80 00	
				4,289 70

TO BE CONTINUED.

SEPTEMBER.

22	do.	Van Vorst st from Grand to Gregory streets	60 00	
				60 00

OCTOBER.

24	do.	Mercer st from Washington to Warren st.	132 80	
25	do.	Mercer st from Washington to Warren st.	511 03	
35	do.	Mercer st from Washington to Warren st.	43 00	
33	do.	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave.	300 00	
37	do.	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave.	30 00	
133	do.	South 4th st from Coles to Erie streets.	1069 24	
51	do.	South 5th st from Erie to 200 feet west of Prospect st.	707 58	
42	do.	Warren street from Bergen to Essex sts.	289 68	
39	do.	Montgomery st to Grove & Henderson sts	474 09	
30	do.	South 5th st srom Erie st to Newark ave.	1000 00	
29	do.	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave.	1000 00	
31	do.	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave.	500 00	
26	do.	Mercer st from Washington to Warren sts.	500 00	
145 on act	do.	Grand st from Grove to Van Vorst sts.	200 00	

70	"	do	R. R. ave north side bt Jersey and Brunswick sts	168 00
47	in full	do	South 3d st south side bt Jersey ave and Brunswick st	387 43
88	"	do	Montgomery st from Henderson to VanVorst sts	244 09
91	"	do	South 1st st from Grove to Erie sts	103 69
138	"	do	York st bt Warren and Henderson sts	142 37
142	"	do	Henderson st from Grand st to Newark ave	348 00
131	"	do	South 4th st from Coles to Erie sts	975 00
32	"	do	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave	554 02
53	"	do	Coles st bt South 2d and South 4th sts	1000 00
36	"	do	Morgan st from Grove to Green sts	500 00
				11,180 02

NOVEMBER.

122	"	do	South 2d st from Grove to Coles sts	22 50
38	on act	do	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave	500 00
38	in full	do	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave	500 00
				1,022 50

DECEMBER.

20	in full	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	400 00
162	on act	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	2000 00
123	in full	do	South 4th st from Erie to Coles sts	57 50
45	"	do	Prospect st from Newark ave to Bay st	476 40
43	"	do	Filling of sunken lots on Bright st bt Barrow and Jersey sts	12 40
34	"	do	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave	101 87
67	"	do	Morgan st from Grove to Green st	1000 00
				4,048 17

JANUARY.

144	in full	do	Grand st from Grove to Van Vorst sts	1618 95
146	"	do	Grand st from Grove to Van Vorst sts	1000 00
145	"	do	Grand st from Grove to Van Vorst sts	600 00
70	"	do	R. R. ave north side bt Jersey and Brunswick sts	63 98
158	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	500 00
15	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	500 00
16	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	500 00
17	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	500 00
18	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	500 00
156	on act	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	1000 00
50	in full	do	South 5th st from Erie st to 100 feet west of Prospect st	724 16
53	"	do	York st from Henderson to Jersey sts	164 55
69	on act	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	769 93
69	in full	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	200 00
44	"	do	Warren st bt Newark ave and Morgan st	502 60
48	"	do	Grand st from Jersey st to the Mill Creek	200 00
				9,344 17

FEBRUARY.

116	in full	do	Side walk on Hudson st bt Wayne and Mercer sts	519 45
128	"	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	500 00
130	"	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	500 00
1	"	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	1000 00
3	"	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	1000 00
6	"	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	500 00
45	"	do	York st from Henderson to Jersey sts	1000 00
46	"	do	York st from Henderson to Jersey sts	1000 00
52	"	do	York st from Henderson to Jersey sts	525 69
162	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	300 00
159	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	1100 00
19	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	560 26
42	on act	do	Filling sunken lots on Bright st bt Barrow and Jersey sts	75 00
				8,580 40

MARCH.

58	on act	do	Grand street from Jersey st to Mill Creek	100 00	
83	in full	do	South 6th st from Jersey to Newark avs	650 00	
84	on act	do	South 6th st from Jersey to Newark avs	350 00	
80	"	do	South 8th st from Grove st to Newark ave	300 00	
47	"	do	York st from Henderson to Jersey sts	620 00	
13	in full	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	1000 00	
14	on act	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	357 28	
14	in full	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	642 72	
40	"	do	South 5th st from Erie st to Newark ave	1000 00	
156	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	1000 00	
47	on act	do	York st from Henderson to Jersey sts	200 00	
12	"	do	Prospect st from Bay st to Pavonia ave	300 00	
127	in full	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	1000 00	
63	on act	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	600 00	
152	in full	do	Sunken lots bt R. R. ave Prospect and Morgan st	1291 00	
					9,411 00

APRIL.

83	on act	do	South 7th st bt Newark and Jersey ave	230 00	
79	in full	do	South 7th st bt Newark and Jersey ave	500 00	
80	"	do	South 7th st bt Newark and Jersey ave	500 00	
51	on act	do	York st from Henderson to Jersey sts	200 00	
92	in full	do	South 3d st from Jersey ave to Prospect st	34 60	
68	on act	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	300 00	
91	in full	do	South 3d st bt Jersey ave and Prospect st	138 75	
85	"	do	South 7th st bt Jersey and Newark avs	30 00	
44	on act	do	South 3d st bt Jersey ave and Prospect st	270 00	
68	"	do	Grand st from Jersey st to Mill Creek	300 00	
84	in full	do	South 6th st from Jersey to Newark ave	817 85	
80	"	do	South 8th st from Grove to Newark ave	751 06	
95	"	do	South 4th st from Grove to Erie sts	73 12	
44	"	do	South 3d st from Jersey ave to Prospect st	730 00	
87	"	do	South 3d st from Jersey ave to Prospect st	252 39	
89	"	do	South 3d st from Jersey ave to Prospect st	207 46	
					5,335 28

JUNE.—"OMITTED."

137	on act	do	South 2d st from Grove to Coles sts		200 00
					67,085 20

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Statement of Imp Certificates outstanding April, 30th, 1856.

Date.	No.	To whom Issued.	Amount.	Amount Unpaid.
Feb. 17, 1854,	22	Wm. Moore	16 25	16 25
Aug. 29, "	33	B, Ryder,	2000 00	2000 00
Oct. 13, "	71	J. F. Fielder,	2666 66	2666 66
Dec. 1, "	81	Wm. Moore	10 00	10 00
Do. " "	104	J. F. Fielder	1125 99	825 99
Do. " "	106	Wm. Moore	16 25	16 25
Do. " "	107	do	16 25	16 25
Do. " "	113	do	86 25	86 25
Do. " "	114	do	15 62	15 62
Jan. 15, 1855,	126	J. F. Fielder	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	129	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	134	do	1417 02	457 02
Do. 2 "	149	D. Keenan	414 75	99 75
Feb. 6, "	154	do	275 40	275 40
May 2, "	164	do	2200 00	2200 00
June 25, "	2	J. F. Fielder	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	4	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	5	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	7	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	8	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	9	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	10	do	300 00	300 00
July 7, "	11	C. A. Tanner	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	12	do	1000 00	700 00
Do. " "	21	D. Keenan	719 26	719 26
Do. " "	23	Wm. Moore	28 75	28 75
Aug. 24, "	26	Henderson and Wilson	794 45	294 45
Sep. 22, "	27	D, Keenan	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	28	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	31	do	1000 00	500 00
Do. " "	36	Wm. Moore	16 25	16 25
Oct. 1, "	39	D. Keenan	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	41	do	300 00	300 00
Nov. 24, "	42	J. F. Fielder & Co	137 60	62 60
Jan. 3, 1856,	47	C. S. Sisson	1000 00	180 00
Do. " "	48	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	49	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	50	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	51	do	500 00	300 00
Do. " "	54	Wm. Moore	115 62	115 62
Do. 5 "	55	P. McPharlin	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	56	do	175 00	175 00
Do. " "	57	do	175 00	175 00
Do. " "	59	J. F. Fielder	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	60	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	61	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	62	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	63	do	1000 00	400 00
Do. " "	64	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	65	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	66	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	67	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	68	do	1000 00	300 00
March 3,	70	W. A, Cummings	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	71	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	72	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	73	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	74	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	75	do	1000 00	1000 00
Do. " "	76	do	835 03	835 03
Do. " "	77	Quaife & Otley	104 20	104 20
Do. " "	78	Wm. Moore	118 75	118 75
Do. " "	81	J. S. Noyes	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	82	do	500 00	500 00
Do. " "	83	do	332 34	102 44
Do. " "	84	Wm G Hunt	50 00	50 00
Do. 25, "	86	C. G. Sisson	88 75	88 75
Do. " "	88	R C. Bacot	160 00	160 00
Do. " "	90	P. McPharlin	223 86	223 86
				$40,935 40

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Statement of Expenditures on account of erection of Public School House No. 2, including the purchase of Lots for the same.

Aug.	31,	1854,	To purchase of lots	$5000 00
Nov.	31,	"	" Connelly, first payment as per contract	500 00
Do.	"	"	" Johnston.....do.....do	250 00
Do.	"	"	" Fleming, Plans	100 00
Do.	"	"	" Pratt & Co., advertising for proposals	19 75
Do.	"	"	" Connelly, second payment as per contract	800 00
Do.	"	"	" Johnston.....do.....do	150 00
Do.	"	"	" do.....do.....do....balance	200 00
Dec.	31,	"	" do....third payment as per contract	350 00
Do.	"	"	" Connelly,.....do.....do	800 00
Do.	"	"	" S. Quaife, plans	75 00
Jan.	31,	1855,	" Johnston, fourth payment as per contract	350 00
Do.	"	"	" Connelly.....do.....do	1000 00
Do.	"	"	" Bacot & Wood, surveys, &c	17 50
Feb.	31,	"	" Chamberlain & Co., materials, &c	168 00
April	30,	"	" Sundry payments on contracts &c	1096 52
Aug.	9,	"	" Wm. Powell, first payment on contract for completing	1000 00
Do.	"	"	" do.....second..do.....do	500 00
Do.	27,	"	" Headden, Hughes & Van Doren,...do	500 00
Do.	"	"	" Wm. Powell, fourth payment.....do	1000 00
Sept.	6,	"	" Headden, Hughes & Van Doren,...do	500 00
Do.	"	"	" Wm Powell, third payment.....do	500 00
Do.	"	"	" John Headen, lathing as per contract	100 00
Do.	"	"	" D. & A. McI Henderson, marble tablet	20 00
Do.	"	"	" S. Garretson, materials for drain	300 00
Do.	"	"	" J. B. & D. E. Culver, surveys, &c	12 50
Do.	"	"	" Capron & De Klyn, plumbing work	279 50
Do.	"	"	" Wm.M. Abbey, furnishing lightning rod	39 75
Oct.	4,	"	" Quaife & Otley, plans for privy	2 50
Do.	"	"	" C. Van Brunt, pair of iron stoops	54 37
Do.	6,	"	" S. H. Many, bell-hanging	65 00
Do.	"	"	" Headden, Hughes & Van Doren, as per contract	400 00
Do.	"	"	" do.....do.....do.....do	1218 00
Do.	18,	"	" S. Hetherington, furnishing gas-pipes	95 00
Do.	22,	"	" Wm. Powell, in full on contract for completing	1940 00
Do.	25,	"	" Wm. Anness, work and materials	15 00
Do.	"	"	" do....repairing roof	29 75
Do.	31,	"	" Headen, Hughes & Van Doren in full for all claims	819 98
Nov.	8,	"	" Wm- Murtha, carting sand	17 75
Do.	12,	"	" Messrs. Camp & Bacon, furnace ventilators, &c	1658 70
Do.	22,	"	" J. B. Stone, superintending the election	75 00
Do.	"	"	" J. G. McLaughlin.....do	200 00
Do.	"	"	" James S. Noyes, work and material	223 92
Do.	26,	"	" R Patten, furniture	2000 00
Do.	30,	"	" Wm. Powell, extra work	145 12
Dec.	12,	"	" D. & A. McI Henderson, do	40 82
Do.	20,	"	" C. Van Brunt, iron grating, &c	323 25
Jan.	5,	1856,	" James McDermott, carting sand	3 75
Do.	"	"	" G H. Bearse, work and materials	400 00
Do.	"	"	" Henry Steel, bolts, &c	181 78
Do.	"	"	" G. D. Hancox, work on furnace	8 78
Feb.	22,	"	" John O'Neil, carting brick, &c	10 25
Do.	"	"	" Brian Kelly, carting sand	4 00
Do.	"	"	" M. McConnell, carting brick	2 50
Do.	"	"	" Lewis Ryan, painting and glazing	49 75
Do.	"	"	" F. Weldon, carting brick	4 75
Do.	"	"	" M. Hanly, ...do	9 50
March	22,	"	" W. H. Wood, surveys locating fence	12 00
April	3,	"	" Hutton & Lacy, payment ot lien upon 4th ward school house	177 04
Do.	"	"	" John Shannon, carting brick,	4 50
Do.	28,	"	" Henderson & Wilson, balance due for brown stone furnished Wm. Connelly	443 80
Do.	"	"	" Rolf & Metlar, bolance due for materials furns'd Johnston,	217 02
				$26481 11

The foregoing statement of the financial affairs of the City commences on the 15th day of March 1855, and ends on the 30th day of April 1856, being thirteen and a half months, instead of the regular annual report of former years, ending March 14th. The above alteration was made in order to change the fiscal year from March 15th to May 1st, which was accomplished by a clause in the Tax Ordinance of 1855, making an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to defray the expenses from March 15th, 1855, to May 1st, 1855, including the deficiency reported in the annual report for 1854, which amount it will be observed is deficient in meeting the expenses in the sum of ten thousand five hundred and ninety-six 35 100 dollars ($10.596 35.)

It will also be observed that the deficiency for the year 1855. is caused by charging to deficiency account of 1855, the sum of sixteen thousand six hundred and sixty-three 86-100 dollars ($16,663 86) amount of expenditures upon public school House No. 2, Fourth ward, for which no provision was made in the Tax Ordinance of 1855. The several appropriations of former years have all been expended for ther purposes than that for which it was originally designed, excepting the sum of four thousand eight hundred and eighteen 25-100 ($5,818 25) expended during the year 1854, as will be seen per annual report of that year. Respectfully submitted,

J. V. HARDENBERGH, Comptroller.

Comptrollers Office, Jersey City, May 13th, 1856.

CHIEF ENGINEERS' OFFICE,
April 17th, 1656.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen—In accordance with the ordinance directing it, I respectfully submit my annual report, stating the number of fires, and alarms, the amount of damage since my last, the condition of the houses and apparatuses, also, the names and rank of every member of the department, naming each company separately, thus showing the number of men in each organization.

It will be seen that since the introduction of Passaic water, that the engines are of no material use in extinguishing fires. Therefore seeing that the compliment of men allowed to each engine is 60. and each hose co. is 50, I would recommend your Hon. Body to fix the number of men to each engine and hose company to 30, and also the hook and ladder companies to 40, instead of 70, for in my opinion it will be the means of getting good and active men in the department.

In the report of last year I stated that the supply of hose was insufficient. and as the introduction of the Passaic water has so altered the working of the department. and placing the engine companies on the same footing as hose companies ; we still feel the same want of hose, and find that to give each company its full supply, we will require 1500 feet.

This coming year the number of fires is much less than the preceding year. There have been 19 fires, and the total amount of damage would be estimated about three thousand (3000) dollars.

We have had about one hundred and twenty five false alarms of fire this last year, which is so much annoyance to the citizens and good active members of the fire department, and therefore would call your attention to my last annual report, in regard to an alarm Bell, not only to call the department out in case of an actual fire, but as a means of putting a stop to the nnmerous false alarms, and I again recommend the immediate erection of a Bell-Tower, and Bell, as a necessary means for the good order of the department. Your Hon. Body may think it an unnecessary expense, but it would be a saving to the city of at least five hundred ($500) dollars a year, in repairs to the apparature swhich are broken while running to false alarms.

The department is composed of, including five engineers, of four hundred and thirty-four men, (434) five engines with carriages, four hose carriages, and two hook and ladder companies, four engines, in good order, seven hose carriages, in good order, and two hose carriages building, one truck, in good order, and one ordinary. There is in use five thousand four hundred and fifty feet of hose, (5450) of which three thousand six hundred and fifty feet is in good condition.

I would recommend your honorable body not to organize any more companies, for I think you have sufficient organized already. If you would change the location of some of them, for instance, remove one hose in Warren st, opposite the locomotive works, and 3 engine in Prospect st., near Morgan st and 2 hose in South 5th st., near Coles st. With this change ot location of these companies, it will meet the wants of the city, and placing the department in better condition for duty, also by separating these companies it will do away with that rivalry that there is when two companies are housed together.

I would recommend your Hon. Body to pass an ordinance for the better government and control of the fire department, for the election of a body of fire commissioners, consisting of five members, by the firemen of this city. before whom all complaints shall be entered, and whose action seall be final, said fire commissioners to be exempt firemen of this city.

I feel, that in justice to the members of the department, I cannot close this report without thanking them for their promptness and the general good order maintained during the past year.

Yonrs most respectfully,

S. A. FRENCH,
Chief Engineer J. C. F. D.

Assistant Engineers.—James R. Gautier, James Wallace, William Chilvers. William Roosevelt.

Liberty Engine Co. No.1—John Perine, Foreman William D. Nolan. assistant, William D. Garretson, Sec. & Rept, David W. Stone, Treasurer, William B. Dunning, Rept., James McLaughlin, William H.Lee.

Edward D Riley, Peter White, John Coyle, Patriek, Brophy, Samuel A French, James Baxter, Cornelius Morrison, Julian P Chazotte, Jasper Wandell Jos. A French, Francis Boon, William Sanderson. Sam'l S Drayton, Samuel Wisewell, John Beaty, Henry Dodd, James Gilvary, Loyd Gray, William Anness, Frederick Anness, James Havenor, Timothy Conk Michael Travis, Cornelius Bush, Samuel Hathaway Edward Mortimore, Noah Taylor, James Hill, Wm, Bandfield, Patrick O'Neal, Benjamin F Champney. James Wilson, Jacob Staib, Henry E. Hutton, Chas, Timpson, Edward L Copeland, Charles Fox, Wm. Taylor.

House, ordinary, Engine third class, in good order carriage in good condition, built by F. Porret, in 1855 Present number of men 45, entitled to 60. 500 ft hose, 200 ft of which is good and 200 ft of ordinary.

Areseseoh Engine Co No.2—John Nolan, Foreman, John Doran, assistant, Cornelius C Martindale, Sec., John R Brownell, Treasurer, [Geo. J. Miller, Rept., Peter D Vroom. David Gould, John C. Morgan, T H. Shaffer, A J Fitch, Abram Morrell, J B Arthur, Abram S Jewell, Daniel Thomas. William R Janeway, Bnjamine R Wakeman, D S Sinclair, James Hoyt, Henry Steel, P C Appleton, J J Kipp, John P. Hardenburg, Francis Kirker, John Farrell, Joseph Mallon, John Bunkle, Robert Cook, Wm Whelan, John Cane, J Smith, Thomas Painting P. Delany, M Eagan, James Price, Geo S Gardner, Thomas Kain, Patrick Buckley, Mathew Hines, Patrick Foley, John Eagan, Thomas Corkeran J Cleary, J Lynch, John Hodges, John M Alden, Patrick King, Edwd Whelan, Peter McGowan, Joseph Gubbins, James Hughes, Martin Delany. J F Dudlos, F B Betts, sen. Lawrence Ryans, James Hanagan.

House in good order, Engine second class in good order, carriage built by F. Porrett, 65 men, entitled to 60, 650 ft. hose, 400 good, 250 ordinary.

Hercules Engine Co. No. 3.—A W Vanwinkle foreman, T Gross, assistant, John Rouse, Sec'y and Rept, J. M. Clark, treasurer, M Sharp, Rep. John J Wanner, Richard R Rappleyea, Nathaniel Turner, Isaac Van Saun. Daniel Vreeland. A Vreeland, C Duncan, Geo Duncan, T Kilroy, H I Vanderbeck, John Johnson. J M Reilly, Frederick Bowlston, Wm Young. P H Gemmel, W Hughes, W P Payne, Jas. Riley, J Knight S Melten, J. Drenman, James Rosbothan, Geo. Freeborne, Gilbert Adams, Isaac R Fithean, Charles B Sleight, James W Palmer, Jos. Quaife, John W Mulford, James Wakefield, Isaac Edge, jr, W T Ashford.

House ordinary, engine second class, carriage, in good order built in 1855, by Pine and Hartshorn present number of men 37 entitled to 60, 400 ft of hose, 300 good 100 ordinary.

Washington Engine Co. No. 4—Patrick H. Nugent, foreman, John Carroll, ass't. John Smith, sec, James A. Kemp, rep., Bernard McGuigan, trea and rep., William Roosevelt, Nicholas R. Herring, Thos. Mansfield, Henry Byron, Anthony Lukin, Robert E O'Hara, John R Mackey, Edward Andrews, Michael chiel Connor, Robert Duffey, John Casey, Samuel Boyce, William Ewald, James Doyle, Michael Duffey Robert O Maley, Heirin McCarty, James Reedy, Geo H Booth, John Rooney, Robert T Lambert, Mathew Somers, John Haunon, John Herche, James Dougherty, Geo Seheats, Alexander Jenkins, Morris Lanler, Gus. Houft, John B Houft, Balse Sheets, Jacob Free, Jacob Pringle.

House ordinary, no engine, carriage in ordinary condition, present number of men, 38, entitled to 60, 850 feet of hose, 450 feet good 400 ordinary.

Protection Engine Co. No. 5—William White, Foreman, John B Haight, assistant, Joseph J Gopsill, sec., Simon F Noyes, trea., B F Terry, rep.; Charles M Hankins, rep.; Charles M Holmes. Edgar Morris, Geo Molineux. Horatio Read, Jacob Rapp, William Ryan, Garrett Cooper. William——, Daniel B Spinning, James Schanck, Benjamin Decker, John Chilver' Geo Ford, Henry Jahne. Daniel McAmarra. John H Brown, Henry A Green, Philimon D Haight. John Wilson, Geo Woodward, William Chilvers. Nelson H Coykendall, William Gopsill, Charles Van Brunt, Thomas Howe, Hugh McComb, Wm Bumsted, John Vanderbelt, J H Ward. H F Healey, Peter Henderson. Edward Capron, I I Hill. Albert Smith Albert A Smith, John I Hill, S A Hopkins. Isaac Wakefield. Archibald F Brown, Samuel M Cockin, James Ayers, Andrew Savage, William Young.

House in good order. second class engine in good order, carriage in good order, built in 1855, by Ludlam, present number of men 49, entitled to 60; 550 ft. of hose, 250 ft good. 300 ft ordinary.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.—Dudley S Gregory. jr., foreman. John B Drayton, assistant, E F C Young, sec. James K Morgan, treasurer. Jacob Z Marinus, rep, Orestes Cleveland, rep, Richard Mycoeth, William Coleman, Andrew J Bache, Robert H McCleary, James R Tilley, Joseph P Skillman, John W Fox, Geo McCrindell. John W Orr. A Brown, W H Frazee. Joseph Strober. B. F. Holden, Frank Johnson, Charles H Murray. Charles E Jones. J C Schaffer. B F Grinell, Frank Vanderbeck, William Clark, F Grain, Nelson Johnson, A McI Henderson, Victor Piard, John Pringle, A McCormick, Hugh Kirkpatrick, Alfred H Kemp, Edgar Morris, A B Reynolds, John C Hardy, A H Vroom, Lewis Thielman, E O Namsil or Cransil Phillip C Rogers, Wm S Handford, John B Vroom, Henry H Brinkerhoff.

House in good order. truck in good condition, present number of men 45. entitled to 70

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2—John G Haybeck, foreman, W Howeth, assistant. Timothy D Witherel sec, A itheral, treasurer, Frederick Button, Rep., Elison E Duncan, Rep. Samuel M. Hoffman, Geo W Romaine, John D Thompson, C W Myers, J Myers. A A affi, Thomas W Tilden, Cornelius Morrison, Robt Grigliette, Henry Grigliette, William A Crawford. David G Christie, Charles Brimer, Geo Doremus, Geo Brown, Edward H Ridgway Wm Dutcher. John Engler, Geo W Smith, S C Lathrop. John A Topping, James Linkervam. S Witherel R I Tilden, Peter H. Woed, Chas Frazer, Oram Warren, Charles I Gilbert, Josiah M Topping, Joseph H Gaddis, William Meeker.

House in bad order, truck in ordinary condition, present number of men 37 entitled to 70.

Hudson Hose Co. No. 1.—James Gopsill, foreman, Frederick Jackman, assistant, John Denver, sec., Frederick Kissam, treas., Thos B Kissam, rep., Wm I Holmes, rep., Joseph G Edge, Jeremiah B Cleveland, John H Lyon, R B Earle, Isaac Edge, Jr., Jas Wallace, Augustus L Baum, Benjamin G Platt, Wm A Fisher, David Wakefield, Samuel McKean, Thos

S Holmes, Reuben I Van Horn, Iames Woods, F F Farrier, Ioseph B Eltringham, Isaac S Miller, D W Iohnson, Stephen H Smith, Geo Fewkes, Thos Bishop Thos M Gopsill. Iohn D Fraser, Richard C Sherman, Iames W Hall, Henry C Dickinson, Menzies R Case, Selah Hill, Charles Cook.

House in bad order, carriage in good order, built in 1855 by Iohn H Sickels, present number of men, 35, entitled to 50; 800 feet of hose, 700 feet good, 100 feet ordinary.

Phoenix Hose Co No. 2.—Geo W. Dempsey, foreman, John Bumsted, assistant, Iohn T Miller, sec. and rep. Henry M Baker, treasurer and rep, Geo. Moore, Saml McLaughlin, Geo B Youngblood, Ed Andrews. I L Ayres, Wm Hamilton, A Wakefield, I Bainy. Geo W Gaul. Spencer Filler, Smith Hammond. I Williams. I D Narine, Saml Stone, Adolphus Crane. I Narine. ir, Saml A Brooks, I Leynn, Sculyo D Pullford, T Calton, Wm Lenoir. Adam Lynck I V Wooster. Geo Boorman, A M Conover, I Leinks T Flockton, I Kirwin, Henry A Peirson, I Garritson.

House in good order, carriage in good condition, built in 1853, by I H Sickels, present number of men 35, entitled to 50, 550 ft of hose, 350 ft good 200 ordinary.

Diligent Hose Co. No 3—William I Stephens, foreman, John Marshall, assistant, William H. Tuft, sec. and rept. R. B Kashow, treas. I Groves, rept.. Samuel H Many, H B Moore. I H Dally, Geo H Farrier, William Holcombe, Geo Brown, Cornelius Young, Iohn Morris. James Gilkersoni Samuel Heatherington, C Van Boskirk, Charles De Hart, William H Bunsted. Fu ler W Tufts, Geo H Haights, James B Gautier. F Newcomb, Geo Woodhead. Charles Blackhurst William Robertson, Isaac Morrow.

House in good order, carriage in good condition, built in 1853 by John H Sickels, present number of men 26, entitled to 50, 750 ft of hose, 600 ft good, 100 ft ordinary.

Passaic Hose Co. No. 4.—Smith Mead, foreman, Geo Almont, assistant, Michael Hall. treas., Ioseph Roberts, sec.. Thos Royle, rep., Iohn McGuigan rep. Geo S Appleton. Francis Bagle. Patrick Rooney, Iohn Denver, Lewis Dilman, Charles Henchle. Anthony Ryder, Geo McLaughlin. Christian Halve, Philip Ergle, Richard Brown. Elbridge Van Sickel, Cornelius Van Vorst, Iames Warner, Christian Rapp, Miles McCartin

House in bad order, carriage building by F Porret present number of men, 22, entitled to 50, 400 feet of hose, 300 feet good 100 feet ordinary.

The President announced the following as the standing committees:

Finance—Ald Cobb, Thompson and Thurston

Laws and ordinances.—Ald Wortendyke, Edge and Clarke.

Schools—Ald Gardner, Tilden and Drayton

Streets—Ald Thurston, Hoffman, and Clarke

Alms—Ald Insley, Gardner and Hoffman,

Assessments—Ald Thompson, Wortendyke and McComb.

Public Grounds and Buildings—Ald McComb, Cobb, Erwin.

L mps—Ald Clarke, Tilden and Cobb

Watch—Ald Edge and Insley

Fire and Water—Ald Hoffman, Thompson and Edge.

Ferries and Wharves—Ald Thurston and Wilson.

Sewers—Ald Drayton Wilson and Wortendyke.

Public H alth—Ald Wilson Drayton and Erwin,

Salaries, Offices and Elections.—Ald Erwin, and McComb.

Police and Licenses.—Ald Tilden, Insley and Gardner.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petitions of the following named persons to be appointed city watchmen:

James McDonald, Augustus J. Baum, Henry Paynton, James Courtney, William Reen, and John Cadugan. Petitions ref to com on watch.

Petition of Thomas Gilroy for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables. Ref to com on police and licenses.

Petition of H. S. Hancox, to be appointed weighmaster for the purpose of weighing coal for his employers Randall & Morrell. Ref to com on police and licenses

Petition of Henry French and others to have the lots on the corner of Warren street and Newark ave. filled up, etc., as a nuisance. Ref to com on public health.

Official bond of Moses B Bramhall, as Water Commissioner, signed by Iohn S. Fox and Michael Lineau as sureties. Ref to Corporation Attorney.

Official bond of Iames B Dunn as constable, signed by Ioseph Babcock and R B Kashow as sureties. Ref to Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Wm. Cooper, Iames Lynch, Michael Doyle, Wm. Moore, and Oscar Maltman and Peter P Post, for licenses to keep Inns and Taverns. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Wm H Wood to be re-appointed City Surveyor, accompanied by a bond for the faithful performance of his duties in case he receives the appointment, signed by Andrew Clerk as Surety. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Edward Coles to be reappointed a City Surveyor. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Stephen W Treadwell to be appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures. Laid upon the table.

Communication from D S Gregory Esq, accompanied by a map of property in the 2d and 4th wards reclaimed by him and other shore owners. Communication and map received, and the map ordered to be filed in City Clerk's office.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of H. Reilly, $47 55; and $47 55; Drayton & Durant, $150; and the Jersey City Cemetery Company, $59. Ref to Com. on Alms.

Of W. H. Wood, $70 and $8; and Daily Telegraph, $302 90. Ref. to Com on Finance.

Of Fidelity Division Sons of Temperance, $75; and Hudson County Mutual Insurance Co, $25. Ref to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Sunday Policemen, $18. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Of Workmen on Streets, $239 25. R f. to Com. on Streets.

The Fourth Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Alms House and Overseer of the Poor was

presented, received, and ordered to be published in the minutes. Said report being as follows:

To the Honarable the Mayor and Common Council

Gentlemen the overseer of the Poor respectfully presents his annual report for the year ending April 30th, 1856, from which it will appear that three hundred and ten adults and seven hundred and twenty-three children have been relieved with donations in groceries, and four hundred and fifty-nine adults, and nine hundred and thirty children with coal, showing a diminution in the application for the former, and an increase of the latter arising from the severity and long continuance of the winter, yet taking into view the great emigration into this country, more or less locating in our city, it is a source of congratulation that pauperism is not to any extent on the increase.

The expense of the department has been $3476 67, on the following account:

Groceries, $2254 06; Children to Nurse, $141 01; coal and delivery, $954 60; Coffins, $39; Transportation and conveying to graves, $73; Shoes $15—Total $3476 67

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with the view to the best interest of all concerned in an economical distribution of the public money, in relieving the pressing necessities of the distressed, and in this course I hope I have the approbation of your honorable body and the community in general. All of which is repectfully submitted. Wm WHITLEY, Overseer of the Poor.

April 30, 1856.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council

Gentlemen— The Superintendent of the Alms House respectfully presents to your honorable body, his fourth annual report, for the year ending April 30th, 1856, the whole number of persons admitted from May 1, 1855, to April 30th, 1856, were 190, remaining in the house May 1st, 1855, 57—total 247.

Of which number there were natives 22; England 18; Scotland 2; Ireland, 195; other countries 10—Total 247.

The following is a statement of the admissions, discharges, adoptions and deaths, during the above period, exhibiting the number of males, females, and children: Male adults, 47; female 71; children 129—Total 247.

Ma es discharged, 33; females 51; children 83; children adopted 8.—Total 175.

Deaths—Male adults, 5; female 3; children 4—Total 12.

Remaining in the institution April 30, 60. Exclusive of the above number, assistance has been rendered in the way of meals and lodgings.

Adults 300; children 61—The whole number of recipients at alms house were 608.

The expenses of the institution have been on the following account:

Groceries, $1556; Beef, 392; Coal, $177 32; Dry Goods, $361 77; Soft Soap, $40 84; Lumber for Coffins, &c, $77 35; Hardware, $26 44; Shoes, $190 28; Coat for one man, $5; Straw $4 64; Cow and Pigs, $58 23—Total $2889 87.

Groceries on hand in the store, $100; Coal, $30; Coffins, $189; Pigs, $36 32; Cow, $60; Bread, $15; Shoes, $50; Dry Goods, $10—Total $490 32.

The actual cost of the department $5876 32.

The cause of the largeness of the bill of dry goods has been necessarily occasioned by replenishing the beds and bedding of the institution, they had been in use for four years, also several more added to the number by their being such a greater number of persons in the house, than ever, on previous years. The health of the inmates of the institution has been good, for those that are admitted are generally debilitated from diff rent diseases, the children are in perfect health as the addition to the building has been of great benefit to health and comfort.

I would again call your attention to the establishing of a workhouse in the institution, whereby the worthy and industrious poor would of course will. and thankful to provide by their industry the necessaries of life rather than be considered paupers, recipients of the bread of charity at the same time be the means of saving to the city to a great extent by the prevention of the various impositions, too often practiced upon this and similar institutions, by depraved and intemperate idlers, which form a large number of instances, that have come under my direct knowledge they will not use any endeavors to provide for the wants of their families, their continual cry is no "work, no work," further I have found when I have provided work for them, rather than accept of it they have discontinued calling for help from the city. I have studied this matter well and have come to the conclusion that the expense of the out door relief would be considerably reduced. Employment would have a decided effect on applicants, further the object of industry, would alieniate others from the habit of intemperance. These few remarks I hope may meet with your approval and early attention.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY, Supt of Alms House.

The report of the City Physician of the 1st and 2d Wards, respecting the Medical Department of the Alms House was presented, received, and ordered to be published in the minutes. Said Report being as follows:

To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

The following report of the medical department of the alms house is respectfully submitted.

There have been admitted sick during the year, ending May 1st, 1856: adult—males 30, females 50; total adults, 80; children—males 6, females 25; total children, 31.

Of the established inmates during the year there have been sick, mal s, 24, females, 27; total 51.—Cases of obstetrics, 4.

Aggregate number of patients tre ted, 166.

There have died during the year—adult males: consumption, 2; painters col c, 1; dropsy of heart 1; total, 4; adult females—typhoid fever, 1; consumption, 1; tumor, 1; total, 3; children—marasmus, 5; convulsions, 1, total, 6 Total number of deaths. 13.

Truly might the alms house be properly called our city hospital, as by far the majority are driven to seek its gates by disease in its varied forms

The worthy poor, who are willing and anxious to maintain their families by the sweat of their brows, being stricken down by sickness and consequent want, and those suffering from diseases, the legitimate fruit of idleness, intemperance and vicious indulgences—both classes enter or are taken to the alms house, or hospital, to be treated as invalids, and to regain health.

During the past year there have been admitted more patients, and owing to the unusually severe winter, more cases of an aggravated nature than in previous years.

Fortunately however for the numerous inmates of the institution, there have been but few cases of epidemic disease—and those entirely of small pox.—These patients, by being confined to the small building called the "Pest House"—nursed by those who had already been cured of the disease—and all communication strictly withheld from the main building, all recovered and were discharged without any spread of infection whatever.

The number of admissions into the alms house is being greatly increased every year, and great care and management becomes necessary in order to insure cleanliness and ventilation, and thereby contribute to the comfort and health of the inmates.

An important addition or wing to the main buildings has been erected during the past year, allowing the children more commodious and better ventilated apartments, both for sleeping, recreation and as a school room. And I am happy to be able to state, in the expression of thanks to your Honorable Board, that diseases among the children have been of far less frequency and gravity.

Much praise is due to the worthy Matron, by whose kindness, and anxious attention to the poor in the discharge of her manifold and arduous duties. So much *true happiness* is realized by those whose lot is within the walls of an alms house.

Most respectfully your ob't ser'vt.
WM. A. DURRIE.
City Physician, 1st and 2d wards.

A communication was presented from Wm. H. Wood, City Surveyor, asking that a special committee be appointed to examine his new map of Jersey City, with a view to its adoption as a City map for assessment and other purposes. Received, and Ald. Cobb, Thompson, and Wortendyke, were appointed such special committee.

The official bonds of Wm. Reen and Bernard Mc Anally as Constables, referred to the Corporation Attorney on the 22d inst., were reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form. Bonds approved and ordered filed.

The official bond of Benjamin Haines as Constable, referred to the Corporation Attorney on the 22d inst., was reported back as not properly drawn, and a new bond reported with his certificate of its correctness was reported. The old bond was ordered to be returned to Benjamin Haines, and the new one was approved and ordered filed.

A communication was presented and received from the Overseer of the Poor and Superintendent of the Alms House, announcing the decease of his wife, late Matron of the Alms House, and that by the advice and with the consent of the Committee on Alms he has appointed his granddaughter to perform the same duties as those heretofore performed by Mrs. Whitley in the Alms House Department. Ald Insley offered the following resolutions, which were adopted.

Resolved, That this board deeply sympathize with W. Whitley, Esq., Overseer of the Poor, in his affliction, by the bereavement of his wife, who for the past forty-nine years has been his devoted partner and judicious adviser.

Resolved, That in the death of Mrs. Whitley, late Matron of the Alms House, the city has lost a valuable agent, and the orphans, and the worse than orphan children, who are there the recipients of the city charities, have lost a kind, devoted, and motherly friend.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, announcing the following death, elections, and expulsions in that department, vix:

Death of Robert H. McLeary, late a member of Hook and Ladder company No. 1.

Election of Jacob B Schanck, by Hose Co. No. 4. Philip Selew, by Hook and Ladder Co No 1, and of John M Rean and M Smith, by engine Co No 3.

Expulsions of N McCormick. N Johnston and George McCrindel, by Hook and Ladder Co No 1.

Communicotions received, elections approved, and the proper entries ordered to be made of the death and expulsions.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid:

Of N Ellis, $28 83; watch department, $670 80 J F Richardson, $8; A T Smith. $100; city canvassers.$17 50; J. M Newkirk, $9 75; John Corrigan, $10; and officers of special election in First ward, $17 50

Ald Clarke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue in the name of the city and under its corporate seal, declarations of sale to the purchasers at the assessment sale of the 26th instant. The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Erwin, it was

Resolved, That the subjects contained in the message of his Honor the Mayor, be referred to their appropriate Standing Committees for consideration.

On motion of Ald. Edge, it was

Resolved, That all papers which have been returned by Standing Committees of the late Board be referred to the corresponding Standing Committees of this Board.

On motion of Ald. Clarke, it was

Resolved, That the Board do now proceed to the appointment of a Chosen Freeholder from the 1st Ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by Jeremiah Mulford's not qualifying for said office.

Ald. Cobb and McComb were appointed and acted as tellers, and a balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Benjamin R. Wakeman received thirteen votes. One blank was cast

Whereupon, Benjamin R Wakeman was declared appointed.

Ald. Insley offered the following resolution, which on motion of Ald Erwin was laid upon the table.

Resolved, That the Captain of the Watch be directed to report without delay to this board the number, the locatton, and the name of the keeper or proprietor of each and every place in the several watch districts of this city, where intoxicating drinks are sold without a license; and in violation of the city ordinance. And also the number of places where gambling is permitted.

On motion of Ald Wilson it was

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it will

adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Friday the thirtieth inst., at 7 ½ o'clock P. M

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Constable for the Second ward.

Two unsuccessful ballotings were had, when on motion of Ald. Edge the further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Ald Erwin it was

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to have fifty copies of the rules of the Common Council printed in pamphlet form, and also the usual number of standing committee cards.

On motion of Ald Insley the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting, at the Common Council Chamber, Friday May 30th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke

Ald Thompson and Thurston were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Ald Gardner.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Wm. H. Frazee for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Patrick Maloney for a license to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables. Ref. to com. on police and licenses.

Petition of E. Randall and others for the appointment of David Babington to the office of Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures. Laid upon the table

Petitions of the following named persons to be appointed City Watchmen, viz.: Ephraim Terrill, Owen Warren, Walter Lane, Ab'm Van Riper, and Martin Ward. Laid upon the table.

A claim of Nathaniel Ellis, for $23 25, was presented, referred to com. on police and licenses afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz. :

Of P. Snow, $165 50 ; H Billingsly $26 ; J. F. Richardson, $35 75 ; W Eaton, $20 50 ; C. H. Winfield, $7 20 ; D Bedford, $25 ; Jasper Wandle, $31 25 and $31 25 ; Knickerbocker Ice Co. $5, $5 and $1 25 : G E Cutter, $16 25; Fidelity Division $75 ; Hudson Co. Mutual Insurance Co. $25; J B Stone, $30 ; Daily Telegraph, $302 90; Laborers on streets $239 25 ; G W Gardner, $11 62 : W H Wood, $8 and $70, Isaac Wakefield, $12 37 ; Boyes & Sharp, $8 51 ; and W W Lee, $95 79.

Resolutions were presented and disposed of as follows :

By Ald Cobb and adopted,

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to publish for the length of time required by the city charter, notice of the expiration of the time for redemption of property sold August 7th, 1854, for taxes of 1853, and of property sold August 11th, 1854, for unpaid assessments.

By Ald Wortendyke,

Resolved, That from and after the first day of July next, until the further order of the Common Council, its hour of meeting shall be three o'clock, P. M.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hoffman, Clarke, and Wortendyke.

Yeas—Ald Clark, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President and Ald Edge, Hoffman, Insley, and Tilden

Absent—Ald Gardner, Thompson and Thurston.

(Ald Thurston appeared and took his seat.)

By Ald Cobb, and adopted.

Resolved, That the chairmen of the various committees furnish to the finance committee on or before the 2nd day of June next, an estimate of the amount of monies required for their various departments.

By Ald Erwin, and adopted.

Resolved, That it be referred to the com. on public grounds and buildings to ascertain and report whether a suitable piece of ground can not be hired by the city for a corporation yard, at a lower rent than that paid for the present one.

By Ald Erwin.

Resolved, That the price to be paid to the city for every tavern license granted during the present corporation year be fixed at fifty dollars.

Ald Insley moved "That the resolution be amended by inserting $300 in the place of $50."

Ald. Thurston moved to amend the amendment by inserting $500 as the amount to be paid to the city.

The amendment to the amendment was rejected

Ald Insley's amendment was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Insley, Hoffman and Edge :

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Insley, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Gardner and Thompson

On motion of Ald Wortendyke, the resolution was amended by striking out $50, and inserting in its place $100, as the amount to be paid to the city for every license to be granted.

Ald Erwin's resolution as amended was then adopted.

(Ald Thompson appeared and took his seat.)

By Ald Erwin.

Resolved, That a committee to consist of the President of the Common Council and one Alderman from each ward be appointed to procure plans and specifications for a city work house, said plans and specifications together with the probable cost of such work house to be reported to this Board as soon as possible. Laid upon the table.

By Ald Wortendyke, and adopted.

Resolved, That one hundred copies of the ordinances of the Mayor and Common Council, not heretofore printed and bound up, be printed and bound in pamphlet form for the use of this Board, under the direction of the City Clerk, and in size to correspond with the pamphlet of ordinances last printed under the direction of this Board.

Resolved, That one hundred copies of all ordinances hereafter passed by this Board shall, immediately after their passage and approval, be printed

for the use of this Board under the direction of the City Clerk in sheets corresponding with the pamphlet form in the preceding resolution mentioned.

By Ald Thurston, and adopted

Resolved, That the committee on streets are here by instructed to advertise for proposals to sweep and clean the streets of the city, for one year, and to report such proposals to this Board for its action.

By Ald Erwin and adopted

Resolved, That the committee on laws and ordinances are hereby instructed to revise the ordinances of the city, and report from time to time to this Board such revised ordinances, and that fifty dollars be appropriated to the use of said committee to meet the necessary expenses which must be incured by them in having copying done.

By Ald Tilden and rejected,

Resolved, That all persons holding office of profit in any Bank or saving institution in this city shall be ineligible to the office of City Treasurer.

A peport was presented from the Corporation Attorney, on the bonds of M B Bramhall as Water Commissioner, and James B Dunn, Constable The reports being that Mr Bramhall's bond is in proper form, and that Mr Dunn's is not correctly drawn.

The former approved and ordered filed, the latter ordered to be returned to Jas B Dunn.

On motion of Ald Cobb the ordinance to establish, regulate, etc. a day and night police etc, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Ald Wilson the ordinance was again laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board.

On motion of Ald. Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Treasurer.

Ald Edge and Hoffman were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :

Albert T. Smith received eleven votes.

Four blanks were cast.

Whereupon Albert T. Smith was declared appointed City Treasurer.

On motion of Ald Erwin, the Board proceeded to the appointment of the Overseer of the Poor and Superintendent of the Alms House

On motion of Ald Erwin the rule requiring a balloting was suspended and William Whitley was viva voce appointed.

On motion of Ald Insley the Board proceeded to the appointment of Inspector and sealer of weights and measures

Ald Erwin and Insley were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

First balloting—

George W. Gardner received six votes.

Stephen W. Treadwell, received two votes

David E. Babbington, received three votes

Four blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

George W. Gardner, received nine votes

Stephen W. Treadwell, received one vote.

David E. Babington, received five votes.

Whereupon George W Gardner was declared appointed Inspector and sealer of weights and measures

On motion of Ald Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of Comptroller.

Ald Insley and Erwin were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows .

Jaques V. Hardenbergh received fourteen votes.

One blank was cast.

Whereupon Jaques V. Hardenbergh was declared appointed Comptroller.

On motion of Ald Edge it was

Resolved, That all the applications for office which have been referred to committees be returned and laid upon the table ; and that all the applications for appointments as city watchman be referred to the Alderman of the wards in which such applicants reside.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board proceeded to the appointment of Corporation Attorney.

Ald Erwin and Insley were appointed and acted as tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :

Richard D. McClelland received eleven votes.

William H. Jeliffe received three votes.

One blank was cast.

Whereupon Richard D. McClelland was declared appointed Corporation Attorney.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, June 3d, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—All the members of the Board.

Tho minutes of all the previous meetings of the present Board were read and approved.

Petitions, Communications, &c., were presented, and disposed of as follows:

Communication from the N J.Railroad and Transportation Co., inviting the Mayor and Common Council, to a collation at the Hudson House, on the 4th inst., at 4 o'clock, P.M. Invitation accepted.

Petition of George M'Laughlin and others to have the sunken lots on the west side of Prospect st between Bay and Morgan streets, declared a nuisance and filled up. Ref. to com. on streets.

Petition of George McLaughlin and others to have the sunken lots on the south side of Harsimus street between Prospect and Grove streets declared a nuisance and filled up. Ref to com. on streets.

Petition of George McLaughlin and others to have the sunken lots on the North side of Bay street between Prospect and Grove streets declared a nuisance and filled up. Ref to com on streets

Petition of Long Dock Company to have the grades of the streets through which their Railroad track is to be laid, altered so as to conform to a grade suitable for the purpose of said Railroad. Ref to com. on streets.

Petition of Edgar Olcott to have a lamp placed on the corner of Grove and Montgomery streets.—Ref. to com on streets with power.

Official bonds of James B. Dunn, as constable,and George W. Gardner, as inspector and sealer of weights and measures with certificates of their correctness endorsed by the Corporation attorney.—Bonds approved and ordered filed.

Official bonds of J. V. Hardenbergh, Comptroller, and G. W. Cassedy, City Clerk. Ref. to Corporation attorney.

Memorial of James Gopsill asking for the usual appropriation for his City Directory. Ref. to com. on salaries, officers and elections.

Petition of Wm Gaul and Benjamin Freeman to have refunded monies paid by them for taxes of 1854. Ref to com on laws and ordinances.

Communication from Wm H Talcott, asking that the Henderson street sewer be repaired Ref to com on sewers.

Petitions of James King and Lawrence Murta, for licenses to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables. Ref to com on police and licenses.

Petitions of Erastus Jones and David E Babington, to be appointed city watchmen. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Jacob Z Marinus to be reappointed collector of assessments. Laid upon the table.

Petitions of Nathan Turrel, John B Rae, John J Wanner, and John Schofield, for tavern licenses.

Laid upon the table.

Claims and accounts were presented, received,and disposed of as follows:

Of G. Wescott, $162 69, $3; and $6; E. Hope, Jr., $12; Drayton & Durant, $100 69; T. Slater & Co., $7 38, and $15 84. Ref. to com. on alms.

Of John Hadden, $1042 96, and J. B. & D. E. Culver, $18 72. Ref. to com. on streets.

Of L. A. Pratt & Co. $26, and $34 50. Ref. to com. on finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of City Watchmen, $666 94; W Eaton, $20 50; J F Richardson, $11; H Billingsley, $26; Isaac Wakefield, $37 38; J F Richardson, $31; H A Miller & Co. $104 78; J McDonald, $54; H A Miller & Co. $104 91; H A Miller & Co. $8 99; W Sanderson, $25; W A Durrie, $200; R S Gillman $1; G W Cassedy, $1 50; and D L Reeve, $66 67.

The following claims referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Jersey City Cemetery Co $59; E Hope Jr, $9 50; Drayton & Durant, $150; and H Reilly, $47 55.

The City Treasurer's report for May 1856, showing a balance in the treasury on the 1st June inst., of $1240 54, was presented and referred to the com. on finance.

The official statement and declaration bythe Board of Canvassers of the recent fire department election, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

On motion of Ald Wortendyke it was

Resolved, That the election of Samuel A French as Chief Engineer of the fire department, and Adrian B Reynolds, James Wallace, William Chilvers and John G Haybeck, Jr. as assistant engineers of said department, be approved and confirmed.

The com. on alms reported as not correct the claim of Hugh Reilly, $47 55, No. 7983, referred to said committee May 27, 1856. Report received and adopted.

The com on police and licenses returned the petitions referred to them on the 22d May last, of John Allen, and Wm Beebee & Walter Briggs, for licenses to keep inns and taverns, and the same were laid upon the table.

The com on finance reported the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Common Council.

"An ordinance for the assessment and collection of an annual tax, for the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six-"

The com on salaries, offices,and elections, reported the following entitled ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table, and ordered printed on slips for the use of the Common Council.

"An ordicance fixing salaries for 1856 and 1857."

Ald Wilson moved "That the resolution passed May 30th,1856, fixing the price to be paid to the city for every tavern licen se at one hundred dollars be rescinded.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Insley Cobb and Hoffman.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, and Wilson.

Nays—The President, and Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, Thurston, Tilden, and Wortendyke.

Ald-Wilson moved "That the price to be paid to City for every tavern license be fifty dollars."

Ald Thurston moved to amend the motion by inserting $500 as the price to be paid. The amendment was rejected.

Ald Insley moved to amend the motion by inserting $200 in the place of $50.

The amendment was rejected by the following

vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Insley, Cobb, and Hoffman.

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, and Thurston.

Nays—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Ald Wortendyke moved to amend the motion by making the amount to be paid $90.

The amendment was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Insley, Cobb, and Wortendyke.

Yeas—The President, and Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, Thurston and Wortendyke.

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden and Wilson.

Ald Thompson moved to amend by making the price $75.

The amendment was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Cobb, Insley and Edge.

Yeas—The President, and Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston and Wortendyke

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Tilden and Wilson.

Ald Insley moved to lay the resolution on the table

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Cobb, Insley, and Wilson.

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, Thurston, Tilden and Wortendyke.

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson and Wilson.

Ald Insley moved to amend the motion so as to fix the price at $1000.

The amendment was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Insley, Cobb and Thurston:

Yeas—Ald Cobb, Insley and Thurston

Nays—The President, Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Thurston moved to amend the motion by fixing the price at $400.

The amendment was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Insley, Cobb and Thurston.

Yeas—The President, and Ald Cobb, Insley and Thurston.

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Thompson moved that the motion of Ald Wilson be amended so as to read as follows:

"Resolved, That the price to be paid to the city for every tavern license granted during the present corporation year be fixed at one hundred dollars."

The amendment was adopted by the iollowing vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Insley, Cobb and Thurston:

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, Thompson Thurston, Tilden and Wortendyke.

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb and Wilson.

The motion of Ald. Wilson, as amended by the adoption of Ald Thompson's amendment fixing the price to be paid to the city for every tavern license granted during the present Corporation year at one hundred dollars was then adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Insley, Cobb and Thurston:

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Wortendyke

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb and Wilson

Ald Cobb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on finance are hereby authorized to borrow for the use of the city in anticipation of taxes for the present year, the sum of ten thousand dollars or any smaller sum they deem necessary, at a rate of interest not to exceed 7 per cent per annum, and that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and requested to issue under the corporate seal of the city a bond or bonds, payable on or before the 1st January next, for such sum or sums not to exceed said sum of ten thousand dollars, on the requisition of said committee, to the party or parties from whom such monies may be borrowed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thampson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Ald Cobb offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That a city bond be issued under the direction of the com. on finance for the sum of one thousand dollars in favor of Mindert Van Horn to renew bond No. 40 for the same amount, issued June 1st, 1849, at 5 years, due June 1st, 1854; said bond to be dated June 1st, 1856, at three years, with interest at 7 per cent per annum, payable 7 per cent semi annually.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the years and nays having been ordered and taken,

Yeas—The President, and AldClarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Ald Cobb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a City Bond be issued under the direction of the committee on finance, for the sum of five hundred dollars ($500,) in favor of Garret Van Horn, to renew Bond No. 41, for the same amount, issued June 1st, 1649, at three (3) years, which fell due June 1st, 1842, said Bond to be datod June 1st, 1856, at three years with interest at 7 per cent. per annum, payable semi annually.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

A d Erwin offered the following resolution—

Resolved, That an appropriation of two hundred dollars be made for the purpose of cleaning the trees in the public streets and parks of the city; said amount to be expended for that purpose under the direction of the committee on public grounds and buildings. The resolution was adopted.

Ald Erwin offered a resolution donating the sum of one hundred dollars to the fire department Fund Association.

On motion of Ald Edge the resolution was amended by striking out $100, and inserting $200 as the amount.

The resolution as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Hoffman, Cobb and Edge.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman and McComb.

Nays--The President, and Ald Cobb, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

On motion of Ald Wortendyke, the vote was reconsidered by which the resolution was rejected.

On motion of Ald Wortendyke, the resolution was amended by inserting $150 as the amount.

The resolution as amended was then adopted, and as adopted is as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated to the use of the fire department fund association, and that a warrant for that am't be drawn upon the city treasurer in favor of S. A. French, Chief Engineer of the fire department; the amount of it to be deposited by him in the treasury of said association.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Wilson and adopted:

Resolved, That fifty dollars be appropriated to the committee on health for the purpose of purchasing lime for sprinkling the gutters.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Insley and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on alms be authorized to purchase for the use of the Alms house, a horse and cart, at a cost not to exceed two hundred dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Insley and adopted:

Resolved, That the joint committee on alms and public grounds and buildings be empowered to procure plans and estimates for the erection of a city work house for the use of paupers and vagrants—to be under the control of the alms department.

The following resolution was offered by Ald Insley, and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on lamps be requested to confer with the Jersey City Gas Light Co, and ascertain from them the lowest rates per thousand feet at which they will serve gas to private consumers, and also to the city for the lighting of streets—for a term of five years.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Special meeting at the City Clerk's office Monday June 9. 1856, at 7 1-2 o'clock p.m., called by his Honor the Mayor at the request of Ald. Cobb, Thurston and Clarke, for the purpose of acting upon and passing the tax and salary ordinances for the present year, of considering certioraris which have been brought ; and of taking action in reference to the leak in the Henderson street sewer.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Edge and Gardner

The call of the meeting was read

The City Clerk presented a Peremptory Mandamus from the Supreme Court of New Jersey, served upon him this evening ; which was read, and on motion of Ald Wortendyke it was

Resolved, That the Writ of Mandamus just presented and read be entered at large on the journal of Proceedings of the Common Council, and that the command contained therein be obeyed.

Said writ being as follows :

New Jersey, *ss.* } The State of New Jersey to the "Common Common Council of Jersey City, greeting:

Whereas in our Supreme Court of judicature lately held before the Justices thereof at Trenton, upon the relation of Samuel R. Tyrrell, we have been given to understand, and been informed, that at a special election held in the fourth ward of Jersey City, on the fifth day of February, A. D., 1856, for the election of an Alderman to fill the vacancy in the said Common Council of Jersey City, the said Samuel R. Tyrrell, was duly and legally elected an Alderman of the said ward, to fill a said vacancy, and was regularly sworn into office as such Alderman, and took his seat in the said Common Council, and that the said Common Council did, by a resolution passed by the said Board, at a meeting held on the nineteenth day of February, A.D., 1856, and recorded on the minutes of the said Common Council, attempt to deprive the said Samuel R.Tyrrell, of the right and privilege of voting in the said Common Council, and of the right and privilege of taking part in the actions and proceedings of the said comcom council and of the righ and privilege of participating in the debates which might arise on questions that might come before the said common council, and did by means of the said resolution deprive the said Samuel R. Tyrrell, of his rights and privileges as an Alderman of the fourth ward of Jersey City, and as a member of the common council of Jersey City. And the said Samuel R. Tyrrell, hath therefore besought us, in our said Supreme Court, before the justices thereof, to award him our writ of mandamus in this behalf, directed to you, commanding you to admit him, the said Samuel R. Tyrrell to a seat in the said common council as an alderman of the fourth ward of the said City of Jersey Bity, and to admit him to vote and take part in all the actions and proceedings of the said common council, and to participate in all the debates of the said common council ; and to permit him to exercise all the rights and privileges of an alderman of J. City, in the said common council. And our Supreme Court aforesaid, held at Trenton, before the Justices thereof, having lately by the judgment of the same court, considered, adjudged and ordered that a writ of peremtory mandamus should issue directed to the common council of Jersey City aforesaid, commanding the said common council to admit the said Samuel R. Tyrrell to a seat in the said common council as an alderman of the fourth ward of said city ; and to permit him the said Samuel R. Tyrrell, to vote and take part in all the actions and proceedings of the said common council, and to participate in all the debates of said common council, and to permit him to exercise all the rights and privileges of an alderman of the said city of J.C. in the said common council, as appears to us of record. We therefore, do command you, that you do forthwith admit the said S.R. Tyrrell to a seat in the said common council of Jersey City, as an alderman of the fourth ward of the said city, and do permit him the said Samuel R. Tyrrell to vote and take part in all the actions and proceedings of the said common council, and do permit him to participate in all the debates of the said common council, and do permit him to exercise all the rights and privileges of an alderman of Jersey City in the said common council.

Witness—Henry W. Green, Esquire, Chief Justice of our said Supreme Court, at Trenton, the sixth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

WM. M. FORCE, C'lk.

S. B. Ransom, Attorney.

Ald Tyrrell appeared and took his seat.

On motion of Ald Wilson it was

Resolved, That the subject of the leak in the Henderson street sewer be referred to the committee on sewers with power to have the same repaired.

The tax ordinance, presented June 3d, 1856, was taken up, considered, amended, and then laid upon the table again.

The salary ordinance, presented June 3d, 1856, was taken up, considered. amended, and then laid upon the table again.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney in relation to the certioraris brought by Marshal O. Roberts and others.

The communication was received, and the following resolution was presented by Ald Thompson, and adopted.

Resolved, That the certiorari, brought by Marshall O. Roberts et als, and also the one brought by Peter Bentley et als, to remove assessments for taxes, levied in the year 1855, be referred to the committee on laws and ordinances, with power after consultation with the City Attorney, to settle the same.

The Board then adjourned on motion of Ald Clarke. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday June 17, 1856, at 7 1-2 o'clock, p. m.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Cobb.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the last special meeting, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follow :

Tax bill of Patrick Kelly, which he claims to have paid twice to the collector of arrears of taxes, through mistake. Ref to com on laws and ordinances.

Circular from Isaac Edge, Sr, pyrotechnist, asking that he be employed to furnish the display of fireworks on the 4th July next. Ref to com on public grounds and buildings.

Official bond of R. D McClelland as corporation attorney. Ref to com on laws and ordinances

Petition of Lawrence Ryan to be appointed a city watchman. Laid upon the table.

Official bond of William Whitley as overseer of the poor. Ref to the corporation attorney.

Petition of J P Hardenbergh and others for the abatement of a nuisance in Morris street caused by the owners of cattle using said street as a common cow yard. Ref to com on streets.

Petition of George W. Dempsey and others to have a portion of South Sixth street regulated etc., from Prospect street to Newark avenue, except such as is now under contract from Erie to Pavonia avenue, etc. Ref. to committee on streets.

Petition of Thomas Farrell for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables. Ref. to committee on police and licenses.

Petition of Daniel Crane, respecting injuries done to his property by the Morris Canal Company. Ref. to committee on streets.

Petition of Sylvester Keeney and others to have a fire apparatus placed in the north western part of the Fourth ward, in the vicinity of South 5th and Coles streets Ref. to committee on fire and water.

Remonstrance of Lewis Atterbury, Secretary of the Associates of the Jersey Company, against the construction of a sewer in a part of Newark avenue, and of receiving basins on the corner of Hudson and Sussex, York and Grand streets, as prayed for in the petition of Charles F. Durant, presented to the Common Council on the 22d ultimo. Ref. to committee on sewers.

Remonstrance of Thomas Gross and others against the construction of the proposed sewer in Grand st., between Jersey street and Grove street. Ref to committee on sewers.

Petitions of John Smith and Jacob Schmidt for licenses to keep inns and taverns. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Daniel O'Brian for privilege of redeeming his lot sold to the city for an unpaid assessment. Ref. to committee on finance.

Communication from John L. Burst, enclosing a declaration of sale of lot 36, Warren street, on block 27, bought by him at the tax sale of June 9th, 1854, stating that there is no such lot, and asking that the purchase money, with interest, be refunded to him. Ref. to committee on finance.

Petition of James S. Bishop, for permission to fill in, curb, and gutter, and lay side walks in front of his property in South Third street, etc. Ref. to committee on streets with power.

Petition of Homer Ramsdell, for the privilege of filling in, laying side walks, paving etc, in front of his property in Monmouth street. Ref. to committee on streets with power.

Petition of Long Dock Company for permission to lay a temporary Railroad track in North Third st., from Bergen Hill to the Hudson river. Ref. to a special committee consisting of Ald. Edge, Thurston, and Wilson.

Petition of George Ford and others to have Montgomery street opened so as to connect its two parts, etc. Ref. to committee on streets, the first Tuesday in July next, at three o'clock P. M., appointed as the time for hearing persons interested in said application on the merits of the same, and the City Clerk directed to publish in the Corporation Paper for ten days before such time of hearing, the notice required by the City Charter of the nature of the application, and the time and place of said hearing.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

On R D McClelland, $63 50; and F T Frelinghuysen, $100. Ref to com on laws and ordinances.

Of Isaac Wakefield, $3 50; McGuigan and Nugent, $41 37: and McGuigan & Nugent, $6 21. Ref to com on public grounds and buildings.

Of S A French, $3 06; and J R Halladay, $7 25. Ref to com on alms.

Of James F Fielder & Co., $342 66. Ref to com on sewers.

Of Frederick Porrett, $47 13. Ref to com on fire and water.

Of Sunday police, $18. Ref to com on police and licenses.

Of Wm. C. Morris $375. Ref to com on finance

The following claims and accounts were presented received, referred to their appropriate committees afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of N Ellis, $100; B Hughes' $17; F Porrett, $3 75; W H Horton, $30; Laborers on streets $188 31; C J Farley, $200; F Porrett, $8 88; and C A Tanner, $218.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at previous meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Drayton & Durant, $100 69; T Slater & Co, $15 84, and $7 38; E Hope, Jr., $12; and George Wescott, $62 69, $6, and $3; and Sunday policemen, $18.

Requisitions were presented from the Board of Education for payment of the following claims, and warrants for the amounts were ordered to be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the parties respectively named :

Of William Powell, $7 25, and $5 37½, F Boyes, $44 56 : Morrell & Vanderbeek, $7 58; Boyes & Sharp, $205 46; G H Linsley, $60; and A T Smith, chairman of finance committee of Board of Education, $14 90.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 17th inst., and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered

at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, June 16, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have received, and herewith return without my approval a resolution authorizing the committee on public grounds and buildings to expend two hundred dollars in cleaning the trees in the public streets and parks.

It can only be necessary to state in order to convince you of the impropriety of this resolution—that a resolution of similar import, has already been adopted by the Common Council this spring, and which received my official sanction, authorising the committee on public grounds and buildings to have the trees in the public grounds trimmed, and put in order, and to provide against their being infested with worms during the coming season, at an expense not to exceed one hundred and twenty-five dollars—this resolution is still in full force, and in my judgment the appropriation is sufficiently large if judiciously expended, to meet the necessity of the case, therefore, it would be unwise and unjust for me to sanction another appropriation for this object, especially before the former appropriation is exhausted. I understand that little or none of this appropriation has been expended in trimming the trees, thereby leaving the whole amount at the disposal of the committee to be expended at their discretion on the worms, except the amount they may have expended under it, during the past week or ten days—while I cheerfully concur in the propriety of keeping the trees planted in our public parks and places, by the city authoritles, in proper condition, I cannot concur in the necessity of spending the public money for sectional purposes upon ornamental trees planted by private parties in front of their dwellings, to beautify their own premises. If private parties are thus permitted to plant trees upon the street in front of their premises—they should keep them in proper condition, and if neglected and allowed to become a nuisance they should be compelled to remove them. This matter in my opinion is growing into a serious evil, since the first appropriation made for this object, (I believe in 1850) there has been more money expended by the Common Council for the destruction of worms, than it would require to remove all the infected trees upon our public parks, and plant all the public grounds twice over with young thrifty trees, and of a kind upon which these worms would not generate. This worm appropriation, has been regular since it was first introduced, except last year, when no appropriation was made by the Common Council, but the same amount was expended for this object in another way. A few of our philanthropic citizens last year, washed these worms in one section of the city, in their own immediate neighborhood, at their own expense, this seemed to me to be setting a good and proper example, that other sections of the city might follow, should their trees ever become infected in like manner. But this example was not properly appreciated by the public authorities—long after these gentlemen had received all praise for their generosity, and the catterpiller season had passed away, a bill was presented equal in amount to the annual appropriation, and your predecessors either moved by compassion, or a posthumous philanthrophy assumed its payment, and this worm bill (sectional as it was,) as usual, was paid from the City Treasury.

With this brief view of the subject, I return the resolution for reconsideration.

D. S. MANNERS.

Ald Hoffman moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—Ald Hoffman, McComb, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald Cobb.

The following communication from the Board of Education was presented, received, and referred to the joint committee on schools and public grounds and buildings.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office, Tuesday evening, June 16, 1856, the following preamble and resolutions were presented and unanimously adopted :

Whereas, The Public Schools of Jersey City as they now exist are entirely insufficient to accommodate the necessary wants of our citizens. And Whereas, the city is and for several years has been the owner of four valuable vacant lots, in the third ward, which were purchased for a public school in such ward Therefore—

Resolved, That the Board of Education do in the most urgent manner recommend to the Common Council the immediate erection of a Public School House upon said site.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board communicate the substance or the foregoing to the Common Council.

D. GOULD, C'lk Board of Education.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor enclosing the report of the Water Commissioners, relative to th deficiency of water rents in meeting the interest on the permanent water debt. The report was ordered to be printed in the minutes, and the Mayor's communication, with said report, were referred to the committee on finance.

The communication and report being as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
Jersey City, June 17, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council :

I herewith have the honor to transmit, the report of the Water Commissioners relative to the deficiency of Water Rents, in meeting the interest on permanent water debt. The amount required for said object, and to be inserted in the tax ordinance of the current year—and also to the several laws and reports explanatory of the same.

All of which is very respectfully submitted,

D. S. MANNERS.

WATER COMMISSIONERS OFFICE,
Jersey City June 9, 1856.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

The period having arrived for the assessors of taxes to prepare for the exercise of their duties in levying the annual taxes, it is required of us to report to you, and to furnish a copy thereof to them, the amount of the deficiency required by us to meet the interest on the Water debt. That requirement we now fulfil. Our duty, yours, and that of the assessors is stated in the 11th section of the Water Act of 1852, and the 6th and 7th sections of the supplement thereto, passed in 1855. The tax known as the surface tax, which is a specific sum on each lot, is referred to in section 17th of the act of 1852, and the 1st section of the supplement of 1855

We ask your attention to the seventh semi-annual report, made to you on the 26th February last, wherein at pages 27 to 27, the subject is more fully gone into, than in this report, and at pages 34 to 36, for a detail of the anticipated revenue for the ensuing financial year.

We would also state, that negociations opened some time since, for supplying Hoboken with water, from which source a revenue of about $12,000, was to be expected, have not progressed, owing to the inaction on the part of the authorities of that city, so that no part of that sum is placed in the statement herewith submitted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

M. B. BRAMHALL,
D. S. GREGORY,
H. M. TRAPHAGEN,
} Water Commissioners.

Statement of estimates " of interest on the Water debt, the cost of managing and keeping in repair, and operation of the water works," for the year ending 1st May, 1857, and of the amount to be received during the same year, for the use of the water, water rents and surface tax."

Estimated income for one year from 1st May, 1856 :

From surface tax	$5000 00	
" Rent of houses	350 00	
" Water rents including all takers on the line from Bellville, but not including Hoboken	44650 00	
		50,000 00

Estimated charges for management and repairs :

Salary of Superintendent & Engineer	1500 00
Superintendent of pipe work and reservoir	500 00
House rent	100 00

1 Pipe layer & Blacksmith	412 00	
1 " "	375 00	
2 Laborers	600 00	
Setting & superintending water meter	138 00	
Repairing stop cocks & hydrants	100 00	
Keeping horse & wagon & repairing same	225 00	
Tolls and Ferriage	50 00	
1 Chief Engineer & 1 Asst. & 1 fireman	1860 00	
House rent	250 00	
Fuel	3000 00	
Oil and tallow	400 00	
Repairs and other contingencies	1200 00	
Registrars' salary	1000 00	
Messenger	150 00	
Fuel and light	100 00	
Rent of office	400 00	
Stationery and advertising	100 00	
Occasional Asst. for Chief Engineer	250 00	
		12,710 00
Balance		$37,290 00
Funded debt, May 1, 1856, $712,000 at 6 per cent interest		
Six months interest due July 1, 1856, $21360 00		
" " " Jan'y 1, 1857, 21360 00		
		42,720 00
Net income as per previous page		37,290 00
Amount due to Water Commissioners.		5,430 00
The assessors to add 3 per cent thereto		162 90
		$5,592 90

The Water Commissioners acting as trustees for the creditors, as well as agents of the city, levy a revenue on all property liable to the water rent; this includes churches, schools, fire-hydrants and all other public or city property, as well as that of private persons.

The City will owe the Water Commissioners, it is estimated for the year, 1856 and 1857.

For 190 public Fire hydrants	$950 00
For Schools, engine houses, &c	200 00
Amount due Water Commissioners	$1,150 00
The assessors to add 3 per cent thereto	34 50
Amount to be added to tax list for this object	$1,184 50

The City's account with the Water Commissioners, stands thus:

Surface tax of 1854	$6,114 00	
Amt. paid to Water Comm'rs Dec. 23, '54,	3,345 24	
	2,768 76	
Surface tax of 1855	6,114 00	
Deficiency raised in tax list of 1855	13,000 00	
Fire hydrants and City property water rents for 1854-55	1,758 00	
		23,640 76
Amt paid to Water Commissioners, Dec. 22, '55		16,000 00
Balance due		$7,640 76
The water rents for 1854, amounted to	$21,455 62	
" " 1855, "	37,756 77	
		59,212 39
The Water Commissioners have collected		51,941 84
Arrears handed over to the city to collect		7,270 55
The assessments for sewer in Essex st. and tributaries, amounted to		$12,297 84
The Water Commissioners have collected		11,734 00
Aarears handed over to the City to collect		$ 563 84

The City Clerk presented reports of publication of the following Corporation Notices, viz:

"Application to have a main sewer built in a portion of Newark avenue, and receiving basins in Hudson street, at corners of Sussex, Grand and York streets."

Of Filing by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for building sewers in South Third street and streets adjacent, of their report and assessment map.

"Application to have a sewer constructed through portions of Van Vorst and Grand streets, etc." Reports received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department announcing the following elections, resignations, and expulsions, in that department, viz:

Election of Frederick Lonehogen, by Hose Co. No 2, Reuben Howe, by Hose Co No 3; Jacob Cisco, by Engine Co. No. 2; Christopher Mann, Thomas A. Riley, Thomas Riley, James Bly, and Michael Nugent, by Engine Co. No. 4.

Resignations of Jacob Myers and Cornelius W. Myers from Hook and Ladder Company No. 2.

Expulsion of Horatio Read from Engine Co. No. 5.

Communications received, the elections approved, and the proper entries of the resignations and expulsions ordered to be made in the roll book of the fire department.

The official bond of George W. Cassedy as City Clerk, referred to the Corporation Attorney on the 3d inst., was reported back as drawn in legal form. The bond was approved and ordered filed.

The official bond of J V. Hardenbergh as Comptroller, referred to the Corporation Attorney on the 3d inst, was reported back as not drawn in legal form, and a new bond was reported with his certificate of its being correctly drawn, endorsed on it. The old bond was ordered to be returned, and the new one was approved and ordered filed.

The committee on streets reported three sealed proposals received by them for the contract to sweep and clean the streets of the city for the present year.

On motion of Ald Thurston the proposals were opened and read.

They were found to be from the following named persons:

Bernard Hughes, Alexander Love, Patrick McPharlin and Michael Larkin.

On motion of Ald Edge it was

Resolved, That the proposals of Bernard Hughes, Alexander Love, and Patrick McPharlin, and Michael Larkin, for the contract to sweep and clean the streets of the city until the 1st day of June 1857, opened and read at this meeting the Common Council, be referred to the committee on streets with authority to contract with the lowest of said bidders if the committee deem it to the interests of the city to do so.

Ald Hoffman offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That there be a clause inserted in the contract for cleaning streets; that there shall be no monies paid except by certificate from the Street Commissioner that the work has been done according to the contract, and that said certificate be filed in the City Clerks office. The resolution was adopted.

The committee on streets to whom was referred on the 3d inst., the petition of George McLaughlin and others to have the sunken lots on the west side of Prospect street between Bay and Morgan streets, declared a nuisance and filled up, reported the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That the sunken lots situated on the west side of Prospect street between Bay and Morgan streets, are hereby declared a nuisance, and the City Clesk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper for the length of time required by the charter and ordinance providing for the filling

of sunken lots, approved May 30, 1854, a notice to the effect that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber on the third Tuesday in July next, at three o'clock P.M, to receive and consider any objections in writing which may be presented against having said sunken lots filled up, and the cost of such improvement assessed upon and paid by the owners of the property benefitted thereby, in proportion to the benefit received. The resolution was laid upon the table.

The committee on streets to whom was referred on the 3d inst. the petition of George McLaughlin and others to have the sunken lots on the south side of Harsimus street, between Prospect and Grove sts., declared a nuisance and filled up, reported the following resolution in relation thereto :

Resolved. That the sunken lots situated on the south side of Harsimus st., between Prospect and Grove sts., are hereby declared a nuisance, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper for the length of time required by the charter and ordinance providing for the filling in of sunken lots, approved May 30th, 1854, a notice to the effect that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber on the 3d Tuesday in July next, at 3 o'clock P. M., to receive and consider any objections in writing which may be presented against having said sunken lots filled up, and the cost of such improvements assessed upon and paid by the owners of the property benefitted thereby in proportion to the benefit received. The resolution was laid upon the table.

The committee on streets to whom was referred on the 3d inst., the petition of George McLaughlin and others to have the sunken lots on the north side of Bay street between Prospect and Grove streets, declared a nuisance and filled up, reported the following resolution in relation thereto.

Resolved, that the sunken lots, situated on the north side of Bay street, between Prospect and Grove streets, are hereby declared a nuisance, and the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the charter, an ordinance providing for the filling of sunken lots, approved May 30th, 1854, a notice to the effect that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber on the 3d Tuesday in July next, at 3 o'clock P M, to receive and consider any objections in writing which may be presented against having said sunken lots filled up, and the cost of such improvement be assessed upon and paid by the owners of the property benefitted thereby in proportion to the benefit received.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

The com on public grounds and buildings to whom was referred, amongst the unfinished business of the last Board, the petition of P N Horsley, for a public pound in the 3d ward, presented on the 6th June, 1854, reported that they deem it unnecessary, on account of the length of time which has elapsed since the presentation of the petition to make any recommendation unlese a new application be made by the residents of the 3d ward. Report received.

Ald. McComb verbally reported from the committee on public grounds and buildings, that a portion of the alms house yard can be used as a corporation yard ; and

On motion of Ald Edge it was

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings be directed to notify the owner of the present corporation yard that the city will not longer require said ground, and that the alms house yard be used as a corporation yard.

The committee on public grounds and buildings to whom was referred as unfinished business from the last Board, the petition of S. B. Van Dyke and others presented June 6th, 1854 for the procuring of an office and a clerk for the Mayor, reported that the committee are taking steps in relation to the erection of public offices and therefore deem it inexpedient to take any action on said petition. The report was received.

The committee on sewers to whom were referred on the 22d ultimo the remonstrances against the construction of the sewer in South 7th street and streets adjacent west of Newark avenue, presented a report and the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, The time for filing objections to the construction of a sewer in South 7th street and streets adjacent west of Newark avenue, and in Wayne street, Newark and Railroad avenues and streets adjacent has expired and one half of the owners of the lands to be assessed for said improvement have not filed their remonstrances against such improvement, and the usual notice required by the city charter for the filing of remonstrances has been published Therefore

Resolved, That it be referred to the Water Commissioners to construct said sewers, according to their general plan of sewerage.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—The President and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Cobb.

The committee on salaries, offices and elections, reported adversely upon the memorial, referred to them on the 3d instant of James Gopsill for the usual appropriation for taking the census. The report was received.

The special committee to whom was referred on the 1st April, 1856, the petition of Frederick T. Farrier for an investigation into the charges made against him by the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, reported that they sustain the action of the Common Council and the Chief Engineer in the expulsion of Frederick T. Farrier, but recommend that the fire ordinance be amended so as to define more explicitly the duties of the Chief Engineer and Firemen, and the creation of commissioners from amongst the exempt firemen for the purpose of investigating charges preferred against firemen. The report was received.

On motion of Ald Wilson, the report of the special committee on the application of the Bergen Point Railroad Company was taken from the table.

After some discussion, Ald Edge moved " That the whole subject be laid upon the table."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Edge, Hoffman and Tyrrell.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman,

Insley, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President and Ald Gardner, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Wilson.

Absent—Ald Cobb.

On motion of Ald Erwin it was

Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed to confer with the Bergen Point Railroad Company, and the parties remonstrating against their application.

Ald Erwin, Insley, Thompson, Tilden, and Wilson were appointed such committee.

On motion of Ald Tilden, it was

Resolved, That Alderman Tyrrell be appointed to fill all the vacancies in the standing committees.

Resolutions were presented and disposed of as follows:

By Ald Clarke, and adopted.

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings, be authorized to make the necessary arrangments for celebrating the coming 4th of July, at a cost not to exceed the sum of three hundred dollars.

By Ald Drayton, and adopted.

Whereas, the committee on sewers, while repairing the defect in the Henderson street sewer, under a resolution of this board, passed at their last special meeting, all repaired a serious defect existing in the Grove street sewer at and under the Morris Canal, therefore—

Resolved, That the action of the committee on sewers in making said repairs in the Grove street sewer, be ratified and confirmed to the same extent as if that matter had been included in the said resolution at the special meeting on the 9th instant.

By Ald McComb, and adopted.

Resolved, That so much of the Mayor's Message as relates to public offices and a city Hall, be referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, for the purpose of ascertaining a desirable locality, and the cost of four lots of ground to be purchased for said object, and the committee report at a subsequent meeting of this board for its consideration, the plan of building, and the cost of the same, also the cost of a bell to be placed on said public buildings for the use of the city.

By Ald Thompson, and adopted.

Whereas, It is the wish of many members of this board to have a copy of the opinion delivered by the Supreme Court in the case of Samuel R. Tyrrell. Therefore

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and is hereby directed to procure a certified copy of said opinion for the use of this Common Council.

(Ald Gardner obtained leave and retired.)

By Ald Thompson

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Lorenzo Jaquins for two hundred dollars, being for services rendered in collecting taxes after the time appointed by law for him to deliver up his book to the collector of arrears of taxes.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald Tyrrell, Thompson and Hoffman.

Yeas—The President, Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden and Wortendyke

Nays—Ald Edge, Hoffman, Thurston, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Gardner.

By Ald McComb, and adopted.

Resolved, That an appropriation be made, not to exceed twenty five dollars, to purchase oil cloth for the floor of Comptrollers office.

By Ald Thompson, and adopted.

Resolved, That the petition of C. F. Durant be so far granted as to permit him to connect a drain or sewer with the present sewer at the intersection of Warren street and Newark avenue, to be done under the direction of the street committee, but in granting this permission the Common Council reserve the right to authorize the construction of the main sewer and tributaries as established for the drainage of the city, by which plan the sewer in Montgomery street will have to be reconstructed and sunk deeper.

On motion of Ald Insley it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council chamber on Thursday evening the 19th inst., at 7 1-2 o'clock, to act upon the police ordinance, and for the transaction of general business.

By Ald Wortendyke and adopted

Whereas, There are now, a number of suits pending in the Hudson County Circuit Court, wherein, the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City are interested, in reference to the Fourth ward school house, and whereas it is represented to us that the said suits may be advantageously settled by us without proceeding to trial thereon. Therefore be it

Resolved, That all suits, actions and proceedings against this body, for, or on account of the Fourth ward school house be, and the same are hereby referred to the committee on laws with power to settle or adjust the same if such settlement or adjustment shall be by them deemed to promote the interests of the city.

On motion of Ald Hoffman, it was

Resolved, That the committee on fire and water be instructed to have one hundred blank firemen's certificates struck off.

On motion of Ald Thurston the following entitled ordinance, presented April 1st, 1856, was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in, curbing, guttering, paving and laying cross walks at all the intersections in Bay street, between Prospect street and Grove street, including all intersections."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Gardner.

In the early part of the meeting a petition was presented from S. F. Greenby to be appointed a city auctioneer, and was laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald Edge said petition was taken from the table, the rule requiring a ballotting was suspended, and S. F. Greenby was viva-voce appointed a city auctioneer.

On motion of Ald Wilson the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and David Scott was viva-voce appointed a City Auctioneer.

On motion of Ald Erwin the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and Augustus A. Hardenbergh was viva voce appointed a member of the Board

of Education from the Second ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of Menzies R. Case from said ward.

On motion of Ald Edge the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and James Flemming was viva-voce appointed a member of the Board of Education from the Second ward.

On motion of Ald Tyrrell the rule requiring a balloting was suspended and Alexander Ramsay was viva-voce appointed a member of the Board of Education from the Fourth ward.

On motion of Ald Insley the rule requiring a balloting was suspended and Henry A Greene was viva voce appointed a member of the Board of Education from the Third ward.

On motion of Ald Erwin, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a City Physician for the 3d and 4th wards.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

Dr Youlin, received one vote

Dr. Vondy, received eight votes.

Dr. Morris received two votes.

Dr. Wilson, received one vote.

Second balloting—

Dr. Vondy, received nine votes.

Dr. Morris, received four votes.

Dr. Youlin, received one vote.

Whereupon Dr.J.H.Vondy was declared appointed

On motion of Ald Clarke, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a City Physician for the 1st and 2d wards.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Dr. Durrie, received thirteen votes.

Dr. Duryea, received one vote.

Whereupon Dr. Wm. A. Durrie was declared appointed.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board proceeded to the appointment of Street Commissioner.

After two unsuccessful ba lotings, the further balloting was suspended on motion of Ald Erwin.

Throughout all the ballotings had during this meeting of the Board Ald McComb and Wortendyke were appointed and acted as tellers.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city auctioneers be required to give Bond to the amount of fifteen hundred dollars for the faithful performance of their duty The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber. Thursday June 19. 1856, at 7 1-2 o'clock, p. m.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Ald McComb, was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Edge, and Gardner.

The City Clerk laid before the Board a certified copy of the rule for a peremptory mandamus, and the taxed bill of costs served upon him in the Tyrrell case. The copy of the rule was ordered filed, and the bill of costs was referred to the committee on laws and ordinances.

On motion of Ald Erwin the following entitled ordinance presented on the 15th April, 1856, was taken from the table, viz: "An ordinance to protect the health of the city of Jersey City."

The ordinance was amended and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President and Ald Drayton. Erwin Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Edge, Gardner and McComb.

(Ald McComb appeared and took his seat.)

On motion of Ald Erwin the following entitled ordinance presented on the 15th April, 1856, was taken from the table, viz:

"An ordinance declaring nuisances."

The ordinance was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President and Ald Drayton. Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nay—Ald Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Edge and Gardner.

On motion of Ald Insley the following entitled ordinance, presented September 4th, 1855, was taken from the table, viz:

"An ordinance to establish, regulate, and control a day and night police."

During the consideration of the ordinance, Ald Erwin, Hoffman and Wilson obtained leave and retired.

The ordinance was amended and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Drayton. Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Edge, Erwin Gardner Hoffman and Wilson.

On motion of Ald Tyrrell it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the 24th instant, at 7½ o'clock P.M

On motion of Ald Thompson, the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 24th, 1856, at 7 1-2 o'clock P M.

Present—The President and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Thurston.

Petitions, Communications, &c, were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Robert Gibson to be reappointed a city auctioneer. Laid upon the table

Petition of John Higham, for a license to keep an inn and tavern. Laid upon the table.

Official bond of Peter D. Vroom, as collector of taxes. Ref. to corporation attorney.

Official bond of Stephen T. Greenly as city auctioneer. Ref to corporation attorney.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Josiah Shipley, $45 30. Ref to com on fire and water.

Of William Bumsted & Co $593 18. Ref to com. on sewers.

Of James M. Newkirk, $9 75. Ref to com. on alms.

Of Walter Rutherfurd, $95 94. Ref. to com. on laws and ordinances.

Of Patrick Lee, $2. Ref to com. on finance, afterward reported correct and order paid.

Of Wm. Roosevelt, $40. Ref to com. on public grounds and buildings, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

The City Clerk laid before the Board Justice G. W Gardners's tax warrant, for the collection of arrears of water rents for 1855, with the return thereto by Wm C Morris, Collector of Arrears of Taxes

On motion of Ald Cobb it was

Resolved, That the return of unpaid water rents for the year 1855, made by the Collector of Arrears of Taxes, annexed to the tax warrant for the collection of the same, be referred to the committee on finance with authority to advertise and sell according to law the property upon which said water rents are due and unpaid.

On motion of Ald Erwin it was

Resolved, That the three remonstrances against the granting of the application of the Bergen Point Railroad Company be taken from the table, and with all other papers in the possession of the Common Council relating to that application be referred to the special committee on the subject appointed on the 17th inst.

Ald Cobb offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue to purchasers at the tax sale of the 23d inst., the necessary declarations of sale.

Ald Hoffman offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings is hereby instructed to locate a lot of ground for the purpose of erecting a house for Hook and Ladder Company Americus two, in the fourth ward, and report at the next meeting of this Common Council.

On motion of Ald Erwin it was

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby instructed to select and report to the Common Council proper sites in the Second and Third Wards for houses for the use of the fire department, and also the terms upon which said lots can be purchased.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the following entitled ordinance presented June 3, 1856, was taken up and considered

"An ordinance for the assessment and collection of an annual tax for the year 1856."

The ordinance was amended, and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nay—Ald Hoffman. Absent—Ald Thurston.

Ald Cobb offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby directed to publish for the length of time required by the city charter, a list of property, still unredeemed, which was sold in August, 1854, for unpaid assessment.

On motion of Ald Thompson, it was

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby authorized to allow Quaife & Otley, city surveyors, to take to their office the assessment map, for the Jersey street assessment, to enable them to make a corrected copy of the same.

On motion of Ald Thompson, it was

Resolved, that a warrant for ten dollars and twenty cents be drawn on the city treasurer, in favor of William Hanks, to pay the amount of claim No. 7850, presented and referred to the committee on public grounds and buildings, March 11th, 1856, but which claim has been mislaid by the committee.

On motion of Ald Tyrrell, the salary ordinance, presented June 3d, 1856, was taken up and considered

During the consideration of the ordinance, Aldermen Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, and Wilson obtained leave and retired.

The ordinance was amended.

On an amendment offered by Ald Hoffman, fixing the per centage to be paid to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes, at two and one half per cent on the first two thousand dollars, and three per cent on the excess, collected by him, the yeas and nays were ordered and taken on the call of Ald Thompson, Edge and Wilson, and were as follows:

Yeas—The President, and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden and and Wilson.

Nays—Ald Cobb, Erwin, Tyrrell and Wortendyke

Absent—Ald Thurston

An amendment offered by Ald. Tilden fixing the street commissioners salary at eight hundred dollars was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Edge, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Yeas—Ald Edge, McComb, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, and Wilson. Absent—Ald Thurston.

The title of the ordinance was amended so as to read, "An ordinance fixing salaries."

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Cobb, Edge, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Thurston, and Wilson.

On motion of Ald Thompson the Common Council proceeded to the appointment of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments.

The following persons composing the present Board were nominated, and a balloting being had were unanimously appointed, they receiving all the votes cast, ten in number, viz:

David Gould, of the 1st ward.

Jacob A. Van Buskirk, of the 2d ward.

James S. Hutton, of the 3d ward.

James Narine, of the 4th ward.

On motion of Ald Gardner, the board then adjourned. GEO W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday July 1st, 1856, at 3 o'clock P M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tyrrell, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Ald Insley and Tilden were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Ald Edge.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting held on the 17th ultimo, the adjourned meeting held on the 19th ultimo, and the adjourned meeting held on the 24th ultimo, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

The following communication from Charles F. Durant. Ordered to be entered on the minutes.

Jersey City, July 1st, 1856.

To the Hon the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

The undersigned, a citizen of Jersey City, begs permission to protest against the reception and filing of a communication, referred to in the last published proceedings, as a remonstrance from Lewis Atterbery, in relation to a sewer and recieving basins

So far as the undersigned has examined said communication, there is no material statement therein true, except that part which states he is instructed to do so by the trustees, which is probably true — No part of the statement therein, in regard to receiving basins at corners of Sussex, York and Grand streets, has any foundation in truth.

The undersigned believes that said communication was prepared or instructed to be prepared without any reference to its title of remonstrance to sewer and receiving basins, but solely and especially to file with your honorable body, a declaration of title to certain submerged and reclaimed lands therein named, a part of which is owned by the undersigned, who asks the privilege of time to prepare a more formal protest against any action of your honorable body in aiding abetting or favoring in any way, the erroneous statements therein contained, in relation to the ownership of the undersigned as well as in relation to the ownership of Lewis Atterbury, or his trustees or any persons or bodies to whom Mr Atterbury has referred.

C. F DURANT.

Petition of James Moulds to be appointed a city watchman. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Charles J Smith and others in reference to the regulation of Railroad avenue from Prospect to Warren street. Ref to com on streets.

Petition of Charles Fink and others for the construction of a main sewer from the western terminus of the sewer in Essex street to extend through Van Vorst and Grand streets, to the westerly side of Grove street, and to connect with the Canal at Grove street, for the purpose of flushing the same, and for the construction of all the necessary tributary sewers to be connected therewith, according to the general plan of sewerage. Ref to com. on sewers, the third Tuesday in July instant, at three o'clock, p.m. appointed as the time for hearing parties interested in the proposed improvement on the merits of the same, and the City Clerk directed to publish the same in the corporation paper for ten days prior to the time appointed, the notice of such hearing required by the City Charter.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows;

Of Daily Telegraph, $262 44 and R. B Kashow, $78 and $75 75. Ref to com. on finance.

Of Wm. B. Leach, $62 50 and $40. Ref to com. on streets.

Of Drayton and Durant, $62 04. Ref to com. on alms.

Of Hugh Billingsly, $52. Ref to com on lamps.

Of James McLaughlin, $8 34; James Wallace $100; and Woolsey & Woolsey $11 83; and Hiram Gilbert, $25. Ref to com on public grounds and buildings.

Of Smith Mead $10 72; Woolsey & Woolsey $26 32; Wm Gopsill, $10; and Edward Capron, $9 88 Ref to com. on fire and water.

Of Wm. Moore, $41 25. Ref to com. on streets, afterwards reported correct and then referred to the com. on assessments to be assessed.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of W C Morris, $375; Laborers on streets, $65-50; Joseph Rogers, $119 25; Woolsey & Woolsey, $3 49; Nathaniel Ellis, $26 97; Watch Department, $662 50; J F Richardson $8 75; William Sanderson, $6; Bernard Hughes, $537; Wm Bumstead & Co., $57 35: Hugh Billingsley, $26; Patrick Lee, 50 cents; and J F Richardson, $35 25.

The claims of I B & D E Culver, $18 72; and John Headden, $1042 96, referred to the committee on streets June 3d, 1856, were reported correct and referred to the committee on assessments to be assessed.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of S A French, $3 06; F T Frelinghuysen, $100; R D McClelland, $63 50; Isaac Wakefield, $3 50; J F Fielder & Co., $342 66; J M Newkirk, $9 75; J R Halladay, $7 25; F Porrett, $47 13; and McGuigan & Nugent, $6 21.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor, the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office this day, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

Mayor's Office,
Jersey City, June 30, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith return without my approval a resolution authorizing a warrant to be drawn in favor of Lorenzo Jaquins for two hundred dollars for services rendered in collecting taxes after the time appointed by law, for him to deliver up his Book to the Collector of arrears of taxes.

It is proposed by the plain and unmistakeable language of this resolution, to pay from the City Treasury two hundred dollars for services rendered in violation of law.

I cannot conceive upon what ground your Hon. Body should suppose that I would give my official sanction to this resolution, when you must all be familiar with the fact, that I have already returned with my objections a resolution of a purport precisely similar—authorizing the payment of two hundred

dollars to the same party, and for the same object. Surely, I never have been so inconsistant in my official course as to lead to the supposition that I would now approve a resolution, which then, I vetoed on the ground of its conflicting with the city charter.

The reason which induced me to return that resolution, contained in a communication, which I transmitted to your predecessors on the 19th of February last, will apply with like force to this, and therefore take the liberty to quote from said message the following language—"I return without my approval a resolution authorizing the payment of two hundred dollars to Lorenzo Jaquins, Collector of Taxes, for extra services. That this amount for the Collector, can only be drawn from the City Treasury by a palpable violation of law, it is merely necessary to refer to the 71st section of the charter, and the 7th section of the ordinance prescribing the duties of the Collector of Taxes, to convince every reasonable and unbiased member of the fact. The compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year has been fixed by the general salary ordinance at five hundred dollars.

The section of the ordinance prescribing the duties of the Collector above referred to, says—"that the Collector of Taxes shall receive such *stated compensation* as shall be fixed by the *general ordinance* providing for the payment of salaries," and the section of the charter to which I have directed your attention, declares that the *compensation* of *any officers* which has been once *fixed by general ordinance shall not be increased during the continuance of his term in office.* It will therefore be seen, that when the compensation of an officer has thus been fixed, it cannot be *increased*, no matter how worthy the recipient or how important the services rendered. I am advised that this extra compensation, is intended for services performed under the direction of some committee, or member of your Honorable Body, for collecting taxes beyond the time fixed by law, for the Collector to receive the same.

The charter also directs "that the Collector of said city in case of the non-payment of taxes, on or before the 20th of December in each year, shall make out a list of the names of the delinquents with the sums due from them respectively, thereto annexed, and deliver the same to the Clerk of said city under oath, on the 30th day of December," and the only authorized officer under the charter to collect taxes after the 20th of Dec, is the collector of arrears of taxes, who is required by law, to add 12 per cent per annum, on all sums collected after that date, and neither the Mayor, the Common Council or any committee thereof, has the power to direct or compel either of said officers to depart from the faithful discharge of his duties thus plainly marked out by the charter." The foregoing objections referring to that resolution, were sustained by your predecessors and the resolution reconsidered.

I might cite for your information a number of cases precisely similar to this, and the uniform vote and decision, given by former Common Councils, in relation thereto.

It will be sufficient for the purposes of this communication to refer you only to two, both of which have a direct bearing on the question under consideration.

The first case was a resolution adopted in the year 1853, authorizing a warrant to be drawn in favor of Isaac S Miller, late City Treasurer, for three hundred dollars, being one hundred dollars more than he was entitled to by the salary ordinance — This resolution was returned by me on the 2nd of August of the same year, on the ground, that it conflicted with the charter and the salary ordinance,—my objections were sustained by a vote of 9to2 of the then Common Council, and the resolution reconsidered—subsequently Mr. Miller was paid two hundred dollars for services, as fixed by ordinance.

The other case was a resolution adopted by the same Common Council authorizing a warrant to be drawn in favor of Mr. Miller, late City Treasurer, for two hundred dollars for extra services, for the same year.

It will be seen, that by this second act, there was an apparent studied determination to break down one of the provisions of the charter, which they had solemnly sworn to defend. I of course returned this resolution with my objections, and I was again sustained by a vote of 9 to 3.

I regret indeed that the question under consideration which has been so recently settled in the manner pointed out by the charter, should again be made a matter of controversy.

There are many questions which come up for our consideration which will admit of an honest difference of opinion, but it seeming to me that the one under consideration will not admit of such a construction.

This is a question involving right, and wrong, shall, or shall not, the charter be openly violated.

This is th simple question which you are now called upon by your votes to decide—our constituents expect and demand of us to arraign ourselves on the one side or the other.

With the reasons herein briefly setforth, I return the resolution for reconsideration.

D. S. MANNERS.

Ald Erwin moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Erwin, Thompson and Wortendyke.

Nays—Ald Drayton, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thurston, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—Ald Edge, Insley and Tilden.

Ald Insley appeared and took his seat, as the vote was about being taken, and was excused from voting on the motion—having been absent during the discussion of the Mayor's veto.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the Quarterly Register of Weights, &c, delivered to him this day by the Inspector and sealer of weights and measures.

The report was received and ordered to be published in the corporation paper and to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Said report being as follows :

To GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk. of Jersey City.

Sir,—In conformity with the ordinance of the Common Council of Jersey City, approved April 4th, 1856, prescribing the duties of the Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures, I have the honor herewith to present to you a copy of my register for

the quarter ending June 30th, 1856. I would here remark that no ordinance of the Common Council of Jersey City has given more general satisfaction and none in my opinion was more needed than this.

A copy of the register of the Inspector and sealer of weights and measures of Jersey City :

June 13, Mannahan, No. 30 Newark avenue, nine weights and two measures, adjusted
" " Doyle, No. 40 Newark ave. six weights, three measures and spring balance, adjusted and sealed.
" Coe, No. 42 Newark ave. eight weights and five measures, adjusted and sealed.
" " Scofield, No. 50 Newark ave. five weights and seven measures, adjusted and sealed
" " French, 56½ Newark ave. fourteen weights and six measures, adjusted and sealed
" " O'Neil, No. 64 Newark ave. two measures adjusted and sealed
" 18, Smith, No. 32 Newark ave, eight weights, eight measures and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" 19, Mathew Commerce, No. 66 1-2 Newark rve, seven weights and patent balance, adjusted and sealed.
" " Armstrong, (Franklin House) Newark ave No. 68. six measures, adjusted and sealed
" Jas Mead, No. 68 1-2 Newark ave. four measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Stumpfel, No. 72 1 2 Newark ave, four weights and patent balance adjusted and sealed
" " Mannhan, No. 75 Newark ave, eight weights, eleven measures and balance and spring scales, adjusted and sealed
" " Hopken, No 20 Newark ave, six weights and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Wm Roach, No. 6 Newark ave. three one yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " King, No. 9 Newark ave, four measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Loffler, No. 21 Newark ave, one spring scale, adjusted and sealed
" " Severin, No. 29 Newark ave. five weights and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Wanner, No 33 Newark ave, six weights and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Kellet, No. 70 N wark ave, three measures and spring scales, adjusted and sealed
" 20, Doyle, No. 49 Newark ave. one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Patk Doyle, No. 51 Newark ave, four measures, adjusted and sealed.
" " Christie, No 57 Newark ave, five measures adjusted and sealed
" " John H. Broas No. 61 Newark ave, nine liquid and four dry measures, and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Barnard, No 63 Newark ave, seven weights and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Donnelly, No. 65 Newark ave. one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Dummer, No. 52 Newark ave, seven weights adjusted and sealed
" " Flinsback, No. 31 Newark ave, four measures, adjusted and sealed
" 24 Mathew Somers, No. 67 & 69 Newark ave, seven, weights, three mrasures and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Sullivan, No. 71 Newark ave, seven weights, eight measures, and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Johnston, No 73 Newark ave, ten weights and eight measures and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Holmes, No. 75 Newark ave, eight measures and three spring scales, adjusted and sealed
" Kemp & Ward, No. 77 Newark ave, thirty-four weights, fourteen measures. five scale beams, one spring and one platform scales, adjusted and sealed
" 27, Gaffney No. 19 Newark ave, seven weights ten measures, one spring and three patent balances, adjusted and sealed.
" 28, Sipple, No. —Newark ave. one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Ramsey, No. 121 Newark ave, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Wakefield, No. 139 Newark ave, four yard measures
" " Dickinson, No. 145 Newark ave, six yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Wooley, 149 Newark ave, two yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Gibson, No. 153 Newark ave, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" 30, Jenkings, No 90 Newark ave, four weights four measures and three spring scales, adjusted and sealed.
" " Hansen, No. 92 Newark ave, four weights two measures, and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Gilvary, No. 96 Newark ave, six weights, four measures and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Trelawney, No 69½ Newark ave, fourteen weights and two patent balances, adjusted and sealed
" " Niblett, No. 98, seven weights and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Crummy, No. 98 Newark ave., one spring scale adjusted and sealed
" " Post, Woodcock Saloon, No. 100 Newark ave. three measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Smith, No. — Railroad crossing four measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Griffith, Railroad ave crossing, one spring scale, adjusted and sealed
" " Miller, 102 Newark ave, seven measures, adjusted and sealed

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" 23, Kennebly, No. 99 twenty-four weights, eighteen measures, two spring scales, two beams and one platform scale, adjusted and sealed
" " Smith, No. 97, two spring scales, adjust- and sealed
" " Morrow, No. 95, fourteen weights, two patent balances, adjusted and sealed
" " Millar, 93, two yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Rice & Martin, No 91 1-2, six weights, two yard measures and patent balance, adjusted and sealed

" " McClellan, No. 91, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " McBride, No. 93 1-2, two yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " P. W. Johnson, No. 87, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Shepard, No. 79 1-2, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Armstrong, No. 79, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Lee, No. 77, thirteen measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Taylor, No. 73 1-2, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " David Scott, No. 75, two yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" 26, W. H. Dame, No. 81, fourteen yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Fay, No. 81, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " Dunbar, No. 72, two yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " John McInstry, No. 78, one measure, adjusted and sealed
" " James Graham, No. 80 1-2, eleven weights three measures,, one yard measure and patent balance, adjusted and sealed
" " Brady, No.86, five measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Hugh Riley, No. —, one and half bushel, not yet adjusted
" " Michael Smith, No. 94 1-2, three yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Edwd Riely, No. 88, not yet adjusted.
" 28 Stowell, No. —, cor. Washington and Montgomery sts. eleven yard measures adjusted and sealed
" " S. T. Grimsby, No. 57, one yard measure adjusted and sealed
" " Westerlee, No. 51, one yard measure, adjusted and sealed
" " S. H. Terry. No. 40, thirty-two yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " I. S. Miller, thirty-one yard measures, adjusted and sealed
" " Earle & Co., Nos. 54 & 56. two yard measures, adjusted and and sealed

All of which is very respectfully submitted,
GEO. W. GARDNER,
Inspect'r & Sealer of Weights & Measures.

Jersey City, July 1st, 1855.

A copy of the opinion delivered in the Supreme Court, in the Tyrrell Mandamus case, was received from the Corporation Attorney and ordered to be published in the minutes.

Said opinion being as follows :

Supreme Court, Br.

The State, *ex rel*, Samuel R. Tyrrell, *v.* The Common Council of Jersey City. } Mo. for Mandamus.

Before POTTS, RYERSON AND VREDENBURG, Justices.

Messrs. Ranson and A. Whitehead for relator.

Messrs. Scudder and Wm. L. Dayton for Common Council.

The state of the case upon which this motion was argued is briefly as follows: The Aldermen elected in the several wards constitute ex-officio the Common Council of Jersey City, among the powers conferred on the Common Council are the following :

1. To license, regulate or prohibit inns or taverns.

2 To expel a member for disorderly conduct or a violation of its rules by a vote of two thirds, the delinquent member first having had an opportunity to be heard in his defence.

3. To remove from office for cause any officer except the Mayor, by resolution adopted by a two thirds vote, after he has had an opportunity to be heard in his defence.

The relator was an Alderman and member of the Common Council, and charges having been preferred against him of official corruption and bribery, a committee of the Council was appointed by a resolution in July 1855 to inquire into the matter.

On the 8th of January 1856, the committee reported to Counc l the evidence before them, and formally presented a series of charges against said Tyrrell, the purport of which was that he had on or about the 3d day of July 1855, at Jersey City, corruptly intending to obtain money from various parties in said city, which money was to have been paid for procuring licenses did at his own instigation receive from the following persons the sum of $50 each for procuring licenses to keep an inn or tavern, that is to say (naming eight persons) the said sums not being intended to be applied or paid into the treasury of Jersey City as a part of the public funds of the city, but to be applied to his own use and benefit, and the said persons then having applications for licenses pending before the Council. And that about the same time the said Tyrrell corruptly offered to receive from another person named, who also had a petition for a license pending before the Common Council for his own vote and influence in obtaining such license from said Council, etc.

On the 10th of January ensuing Tyrrell appeared by his Counsel pleaded not guilty to the charges, and thereupon witnesses were adduced and sworn to sustain them, and the accused also produced witnesses who were examined in his defence, and after hearing the evidence, the Council by a vote of 12 to 2, resolved that the charges of bribery and corruption were fully sustained against him, and that he be removed from the Common Council.

Thereupon, pursuant to the authority vested in them by the charter, the Council ordered a new election for one Alderman from the 4th ward for the unexpired term of said Tyrrell.

An election was held accordingly in the said ward on the 5th Feb. 1856, and Tyrrell was reelected by a majority of votes. He was duly notified of his election, was sworn in according to law, and upon his appearing and taking his seat in the Common Council that body passed the following resolution by a vote of 12 to 2 :

"Resolved, That the President of this Common Council be directed not to appoint Samuel R. Tyrrell on any committee of this body, and that the Clerk do not call the name of Samuel R. Tyrrell, among the list of members in any action, vote or proceedings of this Common Council, and that he be not allowed to take part in any debate, on any question which may come before this board of Aldermen."—The motion was for a peremptory mandamus, to be directed to the Common Council of Jersey City, commanding them to admit said Tyrrell to the exer-

cise and performance of all his privileges and duties as a member of the said Council.

The opinion of the Court was delivered by

Potts J. We have no doubt at all that the Common Council of Jersey City had the power to expel Tyrrell upon being satisfied that he was guilty of the offence with which he was charged, after having given him notice according to the provisions of the charter.

The rule is well settled that a corporation has at common law an inherent jurisdiction to expel a member for sufficient cause.

If the offence charged is against the party duty as a corporator he may be expelled on trial and conviction by the corporation without a previous trial and conviction at law, and it makes no difference whether the offence be one that is cognizable by a criminal court or not. Though it has been held that if the ofience has no specific relation to the party's duty as a corporator, yet is infamous and and so render him unfit for the Society of honest men there must be a previous conviction at law. Commonwealth *v.* the St. Pat. Ben So. 2, Binney. 448; Com. *v.* Guardian of the Poor; 6 Sergt. and Raule, 469; 2 Kents Com. 297; Angel & Ames on Corporations, sec. 423. But the jurisdiction exercised in this case is not derived from the common law. The common law council is not the corporation, and whatever powers a municipal corporation may have to remove or expel a member for cause at common law, it is clear that the corporation itself has not by any by-law delegated any of them, to the common council, and that body therefore cannot avail itself of the common law jurisdiction vested as inherent right in the corporation itself to expel a member of their own body. 2 Bacons Al 21, Tit "Corporations;" Wilcox on Corporations, sec. 629 The council derives its jurisdiction from the Charter of the corporatien. The 35th section of that charter gives to the common council expressly the power to "expel a member for disorderly conduct.' The whole question as to the right to expel for the conduct charged in this case depend upon the construction of these words And it must be admitted that no clear light has been thrown upon this question by the action of the Senate of the United States in the exercise of their constitutional powers to expel a member. The power vested in the two houses of Congress by the Constitution art 1, sec. 5, page 2, is in different phraseology. It is that "each house may determine the rules of its proceedings, punish its members for disorderly behavior, and, with the concurrence of two-thirds expel a member" Under this power the Senate in in 1797, expelled a member of that body for an offence not committed in his official character as a member, nor during a session of Congress, nor while the member was at the seat of government, Blount's case Story's com. on Court, ch. 12. s. 836 But it is not clear that the power to expel is limited by the Constitution to the cause of disorderly behavior, and in that respect it differs from the language used in the Charter of Jersey City. The question then is what is "disorderly conduct" within the meaning of the charter, for which a member may be expelled.

The counsel for the relator would limit it to acts of turbulence, violence or disorderly conduct in the body and during the session of the common council Suppose for a moment this is so, and that the council exceeded their jurisdiction can he avail himself of the error now? He admitted the jurisdiction. He appeared and pleaded not guilty to the charge.—Submitted to a trial. Submitted to the sentence of expulsion. Submitted to the proceedings for a new election. Suffered himself to be presented as a candidate before the people for a re-election and now comes here claiming to have title to his seat and the right to exercise the privilege and duties of the office by virtue of his re-election. We apprehend he is too late to raise the question of jurisdiction and insist he never was legally expelled. But if he has the right to raise the question now, there is nothing in it.

The words "disorderly conduct," as they stand in the charter unlimited and unexplained, have a broader signification" than that contended for by the counsel of the relator. The legislature have not said that the conduct termed disorderly must consist of acts or words in the body and during the session of the council, and we are not warranted in saying so. But we are to construe the words in reference to the subject matter with which the legislature was dealing when it used them They had reference to the conduct of a member of the council as such, not as a member of the corporation nor as a citizen, but as a member of the council acting in his official character, no matter where or when. He who, entrusted with official power violates his public obligations, betrays his official trust, and abuses the public confidence by selling his official influence or vote in the body of which he is a member, is guilty of disorderly conduct of a far deeper dye, than he who merely forgets the proprieties of official business and intercourse. The violation of a rule of morals is a more henious offence than the violation of a rule of order, as crime is more base and malignant than turbulence. Any conduct which is contrary to law is within the definition of disorderly conduct, as given by standard lexigrophers, and any gross violation of official duty on the part of a member of the common council is within the legal meaning of the wotds used in the charter.

Here the relator was charged with receiving bribes in his character of a member of the council; with official corruption, with yielding his judgment and conscience in the honest exercise of which the public had a right to confide to mercenary appliances. The charges appertained to his character as an officer, a member of council; and we think there can be no doubt, that the common council had a right to arraign, try and finding him guilty to expel him. Suppose it had been charged and moved that the bribe hnd been received in the common council Chamber and during the session of the body in the very presence of the members, could it possibly be contended that that would not have been disorderly canduct within the meaning of the charter? But why? Not because the transaction interruped or disturbed the orderly progress of the business of the Council; but because it was in itself an act of lawfulness of turpitude.a gross violation of duty on the part of the member inculpated. The disorder would have consisted in the nature and character of the act not in the manner or place in which it was done, and is the nature and character of the act in its moral aspect changed at all by the fact that it was commit-

ted out of the Council Chamber, and when the body was not in session ? We think such a distinction in such a case, the court is not called upon to draw

We have said thus much upon this point not because it is very materlal to the question before us, but because it was elaborately argued on both sides at the bar,

2. In the second place we are of opinion that the sentence of expulsion or a motion did not disqualify Tyrrell to be re-elected to the same office. When the Council expelled him, they had exhausted their power, their authority went no further—the charter does not annex to the sentence of expulsion that of disqualification, nor had the Council, nor could they legally. Where the law annexes a disqualification to an offence as part of its punishment it does it in express terms. Constitution of U. S. Art. 1., Sect 3, part 7. Constitution of N. J, Art. 6., Sect. 2, pl 3 ; Nixon's digest Tib, "Witnesses" Sect 1. It It was argued with some earnestness that the virtual effect of the reelection in this case was to reverse the judgment of the Common Council, and that the electors of the ward had no power to do that. The conclusion may be admitted if the premises are sound. But in point of fact here is no reversal of the judgement,—that was executed, the offender was deprived of his office. The judgment was a judgment of expulsion, and that was carried into effect. The judgment extended no further—it was not a judgment or disqualification operating in future.—The law does not add that penalties to an offence of which he was convicted, and we can add nothing to the law. The same answer must be given to the argument that the expulsion was for the term and operated as a disqualification for the remainder of the term for which Tyrrell had been originally elected. A future disqualification is no part of the sentence authorized or inflicted, no such effect can be given to it by the Court. The operation, the effect, in consequence of the judgment began and ended with the expulsion. It is asked with pungency by those who represent the Common Council whether a member of that body who is adjudged to day to be guilty of receiving bribes, of selling his votes and influence or of other gross official corruption, and is therefore expelled as unfit to exercise his office or even to associate with men of character, can possibly be fit to fill the same office to-morrow ? And whether such a man can be thrust back upon a body of honorable and upright men, as their official compeer and associate by a misguided constituency with the odour of his corruption fresh about him ? These however are questions for the law making power to consider. It is for the Legislature to say how far it is necessary, in particular cases to limit the powers of the members of a municipal corporation—or furnish particular offences—and not for the Court. The Legislature may well have supposed that the power to expel was all that was necessary; and that what remained might safely be trusted to the hands of the voting members of the corporation.

3. The question whether Tyrrell having been expelled from the Council upon conviction of official corruption, and having been reelected can be again expelled for the same identical offence is not properly before the Court. It it was we apprehend there could be no difficulty in deciding it. The Council have no power to expel a member for acts committed previous to his election, nor can a man be twice arraigned, tried, convicted and punished in the same form for the same offence. These are propositions which can hardly be similarly controverted.

4 It only remains to be considered whether the action of the Common Council in resolving that "the President of Council be directed not to appoint Tyrrell on any committee, and that the Clerk do not call his name among the list of members in any action vote or proceeding of the Council, and that he be not allowed to take part in any debate on any question which may come before the board of Aldermen" is warranted by law We think it entirely entirely clear that it is not. This proceeding amounts to a suspension of the relator, from the exercise of his official duties, as a member of that body. It leaves his constituents unrepresented and without remedy. Expulsion creates a vacancy that can be supplied by a newelection. Suspension from the duties of the office creates no vacancy—the seat is filled, but the occupant is silenced. The charter vests no such power in the council, it would be extraordinary if it did. The power is to expel not to suspend. It has not been seriously questioned that a mandamus is tne appropriate redemy in a case like this. The books are full of authorities in support of it. Wilcox on municipal corporations. 368, s. 74, 75, *ib* 377, s. 96, (14 law lib. 200, 206) 1 ch. Gen. Pr. 798, 3 Black com .110, Rex *v.* Barker, 3 Barrows 1266, Angel & Ames on corporations 706 and 702 and eases there cited.

We are of opinion that a mandamus should issue to the common council of Jersey City to restore the relator to the exercise of his legal rights as an alderman and member of that body from which he has been suspended by the resolution in question.

I, Richard D. McClelland, Corporation Attorney of Jersey City, do hereby certify, that the annexed is a true copy of the opinion in the case of the State, Samuel R. Tyrrell, prosecutor *vs.* The Common Council of Jersey City, delivered to me by the Hon. Stacy G. Potts, a judge of the Supreme Court of the State of New Jersey. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand this 24th day of June 1856.

RICHD D. McCLELLAND.

A communication was received from the Chief Engineer of the fire department, enclosing charges by James Wallace. assistant engineer of that department against James Wakefield, a member of Engine Co. No. 3, for interfering with his orders at the fire in Steuben street. Ref to com. on fire and water.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the fire department, enclosing a request from Engine Co. No 3, for the re-instatement of Jas. F. Fielder, in membership, he having paid up all arrearages for dues and fines.

Received, and James F. Fielder, reinstated in full membership with said company.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the fire department, announcing the folowing election, resignations, and death in the department, viz :

Election of James Fenner by Hook and Ladder Company No 1.

Resignations of Fuller M Tufts and Frank Post, from Hose Company No 3.

Resignations of Edgar Morris, Daniel B Spinning, John H Brown, Philemon D Haighs, John Wilson, George Woodward, Albert A Smith, and J J Hill, from Engine Co. No 5

Decease of H B More, formaly a member of Hose Company No 3.

Communications received, elections approved, and the proper entries ot the resignation and death ordered to be made in the roll book of the fire Department.

The city clerk presented the following report, which was received and ordered filed, viz:

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Commoc Council of Jersey City, that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Telegraph, from the 19th day of June, 1856, (the date of its first insertion,) to and including this date.

Dated, Jersey City, July 1st 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—Application to have Montgomery street opened from Warren street to Van Vorst street.

Notice is hereby given, that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have a street opened in the direction of and so as to connect the two parts of Montgomery street now open, to extend from the west side of Warren street to the line of the east side of Van Vorst street, and to be of the same width as the parts of Montgomery street, which are now open. and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in July next, at 3 o'clock P.M., at which time it will hear persons interested in said application on the merits of the same.

By order of the Common Council,

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, June 19th, 1856. td

The bonds of Stephen T Greenly, as city auctioneer, and William Whitley, as Overseer of the Poor, referred to the corporation attorney for examination, were eported back as not drawn in legal form. and were ordered to be returned to the said parties.

The bond of Peter D Vroom, as collector of taxes, referred to the corporation attorney for examination, was reported back as drawn in legal form.

The bond was approved and ordered filed.

A requisition was presented from the board of education for payment of salaries which will be due to teachers in the public school on the first August next, amounting to $2133 24, and a warrant for the same was ordered to be drawn on the city treasurer, in favor of A T Smith, chairman of the finance committee of the board of education.

The com on laws and ordinances presented a report on the notice from Jacob Weart, Esq, Master in Chancery, referred to them on the 22d May last, the report recommending that the claim which the city has upon the property affected, be properly proved before said master in chancery etc., under the direction of the committee on laws and ordinances and the corporation attorney. Report received and its recommendation adoped.

The committee on laws and ordinances presented a report, and the following resolution. respecting the suits pending against the Fourth ward public school house.

Resolved, That a warrant for $78 42 be drawn in favor of the com on laws and ordinances for the purpose of liquidating lien claims on the public school house No 2, in the 4th ward, filled by James Hetherington, Edward Woods, and William Atchinson, and to adjust the costs on said claim in the manner designated in the report of said committee, dated June 30th 1856, in relation to said claims — Said amount to be hereafter accounted for by said committee. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on laws and ordinances presented a report and the following resolution, respecting the petition of Wm Gaul and Benjamin Freeman, referred to the committee on the 3d ultimo.

Resolved, That a warrant for $17 16 be drawn in favor of Wiiliam Gaul, the amount paid to the collector of taxes for the year 1854, intended for the taxes on lot No 5 in block 88 Railroad avenue, but which was not credited on said lot, and the said lot afterwards sold by the corporation and redeemed from said sale by or on behalf of said William Gaul and his co-tenant thereof on January 18th, 1856.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The com on laws and ordinances to whom was referred on the 17th ultimo, the official bond of the corporation attorney, reported the same correct, and it was approved and ordered filed.

The committee on streets to whom were referred on the 17th ultimo, three proposals for the contract o sweep and clean the streets in the city, presented a report recommending that all of said proposals be rejected. Report received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred on the 15th April last, the petition of Charles H Atkins and others, to have Grove street from Pavonio avenue to the Mill creek filled in, reported in favor of the improvement, and presented the following entitled ordinance viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade Grove street from Pavonia ave. to the Mill creek."

The report was received and the ordinance was laid upon the table.

The Commmittee on streets to whom was referred on the 17th ultimo, the petition of J P Hardenbergh and others for the abatement of a nuisance in Morris street, reported that it has been abated by the street commissioner.

The report was received.

The committee on streets presented four sealed proposals received by them for contracts for street improvements

The proposals were opened—two of them signed Keeney & Halladay, were ordered to be returned to the said parties, in consequence of no bonds accompanying their proposals.

The other proposals were read and found to be as follows, viz:

From B W Ryder to fill in etc., Monmouth street from 100 feet south of South 5th st. to South 8th street.

From B W Ryder, to fill in etc, South 1st street, between Prospect and Grove streets.

On motion of Ald Erwin, it was

Resolved, That B W Ryder's proposals be referred to the committee on streets with authority to enter into contracts with him for said improvements, provided the committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so.

The com. on public grounds and buildings returned the claim of McGuigan & Nugent, referred to said committee on the 17th ultimo, and it was referred to the com on fire and water.

The committee on sewers presented a report with a preamble and resolution, relative to the proposed sewer in South 3d street. The report was received, and the preamble and resolution were amended so as to read as follows:

Whereas, on the tenth day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty six, the commissioners of estimate and assessment of the cost for building a sewer in South 3d street and streets adjacent, filed their report and map in the city clerk's office, and the city clerk has published for the length of time required by the city charter, a notice of such filing and for the filing of same remonstrances against said improvement, and no remonstrance has been filed, therefore

Resolved tnat a sewer be constructed in South 3d street and streets adjacent, and that the board of water commissioners be notified by the city clerk of the decision of the Common Council, and that said board of water commissioners are hereby requested to construct said sewer.

The preample and resolution as amended were acby the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tyrrell, Wilson and Worten dyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Edge and Tilden.

On motion of Ald Erwin it was

Resolved, That all parties to be heard on the merits of the application for the opening of Montgomery street (as proposed in the application which has been presented to the Common Council) be now heard.

Whereupon A. O. Zabriskie Esq, and Mr Charles F. Durant addressed the Board, the former in favor of, and the latter in opposition to the application.

Mr. Durant also read a paper containing his objections, and presented it to the Board. The paper was received and laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald. Wortendyke, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday next, the eighth instant at three o'clock, P.M.

Ald. Thompson, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the owners of property on the North side of Sussex street, between Warren and Van Vorst street, be permitted at their own expense, and under the direction of the Street Committee, to curb and gutter that portion of the North side of said street which is not curbed and guttered.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Cobb offered the following resolution

Resolved, That the sale of lots 13 and 15 Essex street in Block 2, on the seventh day of August, 1854, for taxes of 1853, to the City Treasurer, be cancelled of record, as said taxes were paid to P. C. Dummer, collector, as appears by a receipt held by Mrs. Martin, the owner of said lots.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Wortendyke presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table, viz:

"An Ordinace amendatory of an Ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day and night police."

On motion of Ald Cobb the Board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting, at the Common Council Chamber, July 8th, 1856, at three o'clock, P M.

Present—President Davenport and Ald. Clarke Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, Mc Comb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke

Absent—Ald. Cobb, and Gardner.

Petitions, Communications, etc. were presented received and disposed of as follows.

Petition of Patrick Kelly to have refunded money paid erroneously for taxes on the wrong lot. Ref. to com. on finance.

Communication from C. F. Durant in relation to the discusion before the Common Council on the 1st, instant, on the merits of the Montgomery Street opening. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Joseph S. Hencil for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Charles J. Smith in relation to his property sold August 11th, 1854 for Warren Street assessment Ref, to Com, on Laws and Ordinances

Petition of Peter Lamb to be appointed a Police man. Laid upon the table.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of S A French, $4 50; M Mullone, $54; and H Reilly, $22 99. Ref to committee on alms.

Of J V Hardenbergh, $1. Ref to committee on finance.

Of W Eaton, $20 50; A O Dummer, $21; W W. Lee, $103 68; and George Dummer & Co., $24 50. Ref to committee on lamps.

Of Hover & Horner, $30 13; A A Rice, $60; and W J Stevens, $6 50. Ref to committee on fire and water.

Of John Jelly, $3; James McLaughlin, $8 75; and Flockton's Jersey City Brass Band, $40. Ref to committee on public grounds and buildings.

The City Clerk laid before the board a remonstrance against the sewer praposed to be build in South 7th street and streets adjacent, filed in his office on the 7th inst. Remonstrance received and referred to committee on sewers.

A communication was presented from the street commissioner, reporting as a nuisance Charles F. Durant's property at the corner of Warren street and Newark avenue, and recommending that a resolution be passed to have the lots drained, filled in, &c. Received and referred to committee of public health.

Official bond of William Whitley, as overseer of the poor, executed by George Ford and E Randall as sureties. Received and referred to the corporation attorney.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, reporting the following elections, transfer, resignations, and expulsions:

Elections of Charles Scott, and Thomas Taylor, by engine company No. 1, and Japhet Gardine by Hose Company No. 3.

Transfer of John Coyle from Engine Company No 1 to Engine Company No. 4.

Resignations of James Gautier and William Holcomb, from Hose Company No. 3, and Edward Z. Coplan and Henry Dodd, from Engine Company No. 1.

Expulsions of Cornelius C. Morrison, William Banfield and Lloyd Gray from Engine Co. No. 1.

Communications received; the elections and transfer approved, and the proper entries of the same and of the resignations and expulsions ordered to be made by the city clerk.

The committee on streets to whom were referred on the 1st instant, two proposals of B. W. Ryder, viz.: one for the contract to fill, &c., South 1st street between Prospect and Grove streets, and the other to fill in, &c, Monmouth street, presented a report recommending that said proposals be rejected and that the committee be authorized to advertise again for proposals for said contracts. Report accepted and its recommendation ad pted.

The committee on streets reported two sealed proposals received by them for the contract to sweep and clean the public streets of the city.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from Alexander Love and Bernard Hughes

On motion of Ald Wilson it was

Resolved, That the proposals of Alexander Love and Bernard Hughes for the contract to sweep and clean the public streets, opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council be referred to the committee on streets with instructions to make a contract with the lowest bidder.

The committee on public grounds and buildings, to whom was referred on the 17th ultimo the memorial of Isaac Edge, Senior, to be employed to furnish the fireworks for the 4th July, reported that the exhibition was furnished by the memoralist. Report accepted.

The committee on public grounds and buildings who were by resolution of the 17th ultimo directed to notify the owner of the present corporation yard that the city will no longer require the use of the same, reported that they have performed said duty. Report aceepted.

The committee on public grounds and buildings, presented a report, and the following resolution on the subject of purchasing lots of ground in the Second and Third wards, for the fire department.

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby instructed to purchase of Charles J Smith, lot 72 Warren street, for the sum of one thousand dollars, and of Luke C Lyman, a lot in Bright street near Barrow street, for the sum of nine hundred dollars for the use of the fire department, provided that the said Charles J Smith and Luke C Lyman will receive in payment for the same the bonds of the city, payable in ten years, with interest half yearly, at and after the rate of seven per cent per annum, said bonds to be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under direction of the committee on finance, and delivered to said Charles J Smith and Luke C Lyman on their delivery to the city a deed of conveyance of said lots, together with the Corporation Attorney's certificate, that he finds the title to said lots perfect and unencumbered.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President and Ald. Edge, Hoffman, Thompson and Thurston.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Gardner.

The committee on public grounds and buildings presented a report and the following resolution on the subject of purchasing a lot of ground in the fourth ward for the fire department.

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings are hereby instructed to purchase of Adolphus S. Gilbert, parts of lots 22, 23 and 24 in block 127, for the use of the fire department for the sum of one thousand dollars, provided that the said Adolphus S. Gilbert will receive in payment for the purchase money for said lot the bonds of the city, payable in ten years with interest half yearly at and after the rate of seven per cent. per annum, said bonds to be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under direction of the committee on finance, and delivered to the said Hiram Gilbert on his delivering to the city, a deed of conveyance of said lot together with the Corporation Attorney's certificate that he finds the title to said property perfect and the lot unencumber d.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nay—Ald Edge.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Gardner.

The Special Committee appointed on the 17th ultimo on the petition of the Long Dock Company presented a report recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, provided that the track proposed, be laid on a level with the street and remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council. Report received and recommendation adopted.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution

Resolved, That a warrant for Sixty one dollars and twelve and half cents be drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Chairman of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings refund to him the amount paid to E. Birdsall for cartridges and cannon primers for the fourth of July, as appears by the receipt filed in the City Clerk's office by the said Committee. The resolution was adopted.

(Ald. Edge obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the board proceed to the appointment of Corporation Printer.

Ald. Hoffman and Thurston were appointed and acted as tellers. Ballotings were had which resulted as follows—

First balloting—

L A Pratt received eight votes
John A Ryerson received two votes
William B Dunning received two votes
Evans received one vote

Second balloting—

Luther A Pratt received nine votes
John A Ryerson received two votes
William B Dunning received two votes

Whereupon Luther A Pratt was declared appointed Corporation Printer.

On motion of Ald Insley the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

The same tellers acted.

After four unsuccessful ballotings, on motion of Ald Tyrrell further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Ald Tyrrell the Board balloted for Collector of Assessments The same tellers acted.

After three unsuccessful ballotings, on motion of Ald Tyrrell the further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Ald Tyrrell the Board then balloted for Street Commissioner. The same tellers acted.

After six unsuccessful ballotings, on motion of Ald Thompson the further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Ald Erwin, William H. Frazee's application for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern, was taken from the table.

Ald Thompson moved "that the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald Clarke Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President and Ald Insley and Thurston.

Absent—Ald Cobb, Edge and Gardner.

Ald Tyrrell not voting, having asked to be, and on motion having been excused from voting on the motion.

On motion of Ald Drayton the board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY. City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, July 15th, 1856, at three o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Tyrrell.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 1st instant, and of the adjourned meeting of the 8th instant, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of A. S. Jewell to have a lamp and post placed on the corner of Montgomery and Jersey streets. Ref to Com on Lamps.

Petition of Alfred Winter to be appointed a city watchman or police constable. Laid on the table.

Petition of Phelix Jordan for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables. Ref to Com on Police and Licenses.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of Bernard Hughes $183 33. Ref to Com on Streets.

Of Daily Telegraph, $93 50. Ref to Com. on Finance.

Of Edward D. Reily, $11 66. Ref to Com on Fire and Water

Of Isaac Wakefield, $9 94. Ref to Com on Lamps.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of C. H. Winfield, $10 80; A. McMillen, $300; G. W. Dempsey, $22 50; P. McNabb, $12 00; Laborers on streets $97 75; W. Whitley $150, R. S. Gillman, $175 00; J. V. Hardenbergh, $175 00; Daily Telegraph, $93 61; G. W. Cassedy, $250 0; and Bonnell, Brown, Hall & Co., $51 91.

The following claims and accounts referred to committee at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of W. Bumstead & Co $ 79 98; W. Rutherford $95 54; J. Wallace $100 00; S. Mead $10 22; McGuigan & Nugent $11 37; E. Canron $9 83; J. V. Hardenburgh $1 00; W. W. Lee $103 63; Geo Dummer & Co. $24 50; W. Eaton $20 50; A. O. Dummer $21 00; George Tallou 50 cents; Drayton & Durant $62 06; R. B. Kashow $78 00; R. B. Kashow $75 75; Daily Telegraph $262 44; Woolsey & Woolsey $11 85; J. Jelly $3 00; Flockton's Jersey City Brass Band $40 00; James McLaughlin $8 34; H. Gilbert $25 00; James McLaughlin $ 8 75; W. Gopsill $10 00; Woolsey & Woolsey $26 32; W. J. Stevens $6 50, Sunday Police $18 00; and Special Police on Election day $22 50.

The claims of William B Leach for $32 50; and $10 00; referred to the Com. on streets on the 1st instant, were reported correct, and pursuant to his written orders attached to and presented with said claims, warrants were ordered to be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the following named parties and for the amounts respectively named, in payment of the said claims, viz:

Keeney & Halladay $40,00.

Holcomb & Hancox $32 50.

The Com on Lamps reported correct for $26 00: the claim of Hugh Billingsley for $52 00 referred to them on the 1st instant.

The amount for which the bill was reported correct was ordered paid.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor, the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 3d instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, July 3, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

Herewith I return without my approval, an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to establish, regulate, and control, a day and night Police," &c.

The charter confers power by ordinance only, to establish, regulate and define, the duties of a day and night Police.

I have carefully examined the ordinance before me, and find that it creates and establishes one chief, two aids, and twenty Policemen, and that it defines the duties of the chief and his aids, and fixes accurately the time they shall be required on duty, but it does not establish the number of Policemen that shall be on actual duty, either by day, or by night, nor the evolutions of this force, nor does it confer power upon the chief, the committee on Police and Licenses, or the Mayor, to increase or decrease, the number that shall be on actual duty. This, in my judgment, is a fatal omission, and would of itself, render the ordinance inoperative and nugatory. One of the sections of the ordinance confers power upon the Mayor and the committee on Police and Licenses, to alter the hours at which the Policemen shall go on and off duty, on condition that the Police force during the day shall consist of the chief or one of his aids, and at least one policeman from each ward. The only inference, as to the number of Policemen required on actual duty—and the hour at which they shall go on and off, must be drawn from the sections above referred to, and one of the sections defining the duties of the chief, from which we can only assume that the whole number of Policemen, with the chief or one of his aids, shall go on at 9 o'clock at night, and remain on duty until six o'clock in the morning, and four of the policemen shall continue on duty during the day, without any provision for their relief. I am constrained to believe that this regulation was not the intention of your Honorable Body.

I learn from the minutes of your last meeting that a supplement commendatory of the ordinance before me, was introduced for the purpose of correcting its errors and omissions.

This extraordinary procedure of attempting to amend a Law, or ordinance which never had an existence, is certainly an anamoly, unprecedented in the annals of legislation, and it can only be necessary to call your attention to it to convince you of its impropriety. Surely, your Honorable Body could not for one moment suppose that I would so far forget my duty as to approve the ordinance before me in its present shape—with a full knowledge of its *errors* and fatal omissions. Nor could I expect or believe, that a single member of your council would be willing to lend his vote to pass this ordinance into a Law in the face of its *errors*, which are presupposed, and acknowledged by your own proposed amendment, to which I have adverted.

Gentlemen I concur in the general features of the ordinance, and return it for the purpose of having a corrected one adopted in its stead, and trust that there may be no unnecessary delay in perfecting this important measure.

D S MANNERS.

Ald Insley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That inasmuch as the ordinance consolidating the day police and night watch was got en up at the earnest request of the last board of Aldermen, and passed by the unanimous vote of all the members of this board, present at its adoption; and inasmuch as the ordinance has been on the Table since last September, and has frequently been brought to the notice of His Honor the Mayor with the request that he would point out its errors (if any) and upon all such occasions he has signified his approval of its details; and inasmuch as the Tax and Salary ordinances have been made to conform to this—and the public and the public welfare demands the immediate adoption of a more reliable police system; and inasmuch as the omissions pointed out by

the Mayor do not affect its validity or its usefulness,

That the ordinance do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of his honor the Mayor.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Erwin, Insley, Thompson and Wortendyke.

Nays—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edgar, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thurston, Tilden and Wilson.

Absent Ald Tyrrell.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 7th instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, July 7, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have received, and herewith return without my approval an Ordinance, entitled "an Ordinance declaring Nuisances."

The first section of this ordinance says, "that all sunken lots, all parts of lots which now are or may hereafter become covered with stagnant matter, emitting obnoxious or unhealthy odors, all filth, stagnant water or other unwholesome or offensive matter or substance in any lot or lots whatsoever—all sinks, cesspools, privies, or excavations of any kind emitting noxious or unhealthy odors or smells—all pig sties and hog pens, shall after the space of ten days named in the notice hereinafter presented, be considered and are hereby declared to be a nuisance."

The second section directs that it shall be the duty of the street commissioner under the direction in writing of the committee on health, to serve a notice in writing upon all persons or their agents and servants, suffering any of the annoyances declared to be a nuisance in the first section to abate such nuisance in the space of ten days under the penalty of ten dollars as prescribed by the third section, and forfeit and pay ten dollars for every twenty-four hours that shall elapse, during the time such neglect or nuisance shall continue.

This ordinance is precisely similar to one passed by your predecessors, and which I returned with my objections, some two or three years since with perhaps the exception that this fixes the penalty at ten dollars, for every nuisance, and ten dollars for every twenty-four hours it shall continue after ten days, that ordinance fixed the penalty at five dollars for every offence, and it also declared quadrupeds, &c running at large in the city, a nuisance, which this does not.

The reasons which induced me to return that ordinance, will apply with the same force to this, and it seems to me, that it will only be necessary to convince you of the consistency and propriety of my course in returning this ordinance, to quote the following extract, from the message which I transmitted on that occasion. "The ordinance is so sweeping in its definition of the word "*nuisances*," and would operate with such manifest injustice and inequality, that I cannot in refusing to give it my sanction, but feel that it has been passed without a due consideration of the consequences which it would entail upon our citizens. By the first section of this ordinance, all sunken lots which are or may be covered with stagnant water, all sinks, cesspools, privies, excavations emitting noxious odors or smells, all hog pens, &c, are declared to be a nuisance. This declaring every lot below the grade within the limits of the city, upon which water may accumulate and become stagnant a *nuisance* is in my judgment unwise and unjust; the peculiar locality of our city, with so large a proportion of low and flat ground, although the most of it sufficiently dry and elevated above the tide for building purposes, much of it is below the established grade, and when the authorities cause the streets on every side of a Block to be filled to the grade, they create an artificial basin or reservoir of the Block, and without providing proper sewers or drains, they will fill with water from rains, and other causes, and in a very short time in warm weather, the water will become stagnant, and the lots thus covered with water by the acts of the corporation, are declared a nuisance

In my judgment in a city situated as is our own, where the ground is sufficiently high for building purposes, sewers should be constructed, and in all cases be kept in advance of filling grading and paving the streets, and if this course was uniformly adopted, our citizens would cheerfully incur the expense for any such permanent improvement, and would thereby be relieved from the fines to be imposed by this ordinance. I fully agree with your Honorable Body in the necessity for the adoption of proper measures to preserve the health of our city, and trust that a reconsideration of this subject will induce you to modify the ordinance so as to be just in its operation, without being oppressive On the question of reconsideration by that common council, these objections were sustained and the ordinance rejected by a vote of eleven to four; five of the eleven that voted to reject that ordinance are now members of your honorable Body. The ordinances now in force upon this subject, are in my judgment, more practicable in their operation, and altogether more in accordance with the directions of the charter, than the one under consideration; and it may not be inappropriate to direct your attention to them. The charter confers power to declare by general law, what shall be considered nuisances in lots, streets, docks, wharves and piers, and to direct, provide for, and enforce their removal.

Privies and hog-pens are now erected under the authority of an ordinance, subject to certain restrictions and penalties, and if they are used and kept in conformity with the law, it seems to me absurd to declare them a nuisance, and subject the owners to the heavy penalties proposed by the ordinance before me

The law authorizing and regulating hog pens should be amended, so as to remove them at least two hundred feet from any dwelling house.

By the 15th section of the ordinance prescribing the duties of the street commissioner, approved July 21, 1851,

It is made the duty of that officer, upon the complaint of any person, when he has reason to think that there may be any nuisance, to enter into, and upon any premises and examine any building, cellar, lot, alley, sink, cispool, &c., within the limits of the city—and if he finds any nuisance or unwholesome matter it shall be his duty to notify in writing the owner or occupant of said premises to remove or abate the same in specified time—and if he find any sink, cispool, or privy, required to be emptied and cleaned, it shall be his duty to notify, in writing the owner or occupant of said premises to have the same emptied and cleaned within five days from the service of the notice, and in case of neglect to comply within the time specified, the said street commissioner by and with the consent of committee on Streets may cause said nuisance or matter to be forthwith removed or emptied, and the person whose duty it was to remove or empty the same shall be chargeable with the expense of such removal in addition to the penalty of five dollars for each offence. This seems to me to be all the law that can be desired or necessary to keep the privies in proper condition. It only remains with the officer to see that the law is rigidly enforced.

The same may be said of the law in relation to sunken lots. A general ordinance for filling them was passed by the Common Council, and approved May 30, 1854.

This ordinance was adopted and intended to meet cases of necessity where sewers or drains could not be obtained, and where parties would not consent to have them constructed. This ordinance has worked well, but for same cause to me unknown, in some cases it has not been enforced. A resolution, under this ordinance, declaring a number of sunken lots a nuisance, in block 42 on the north side of Van Vorst

Square was adopted by the Common Council, and approved Sept 10, 1855 and has been covered with stagnant water from that time, to this, yet no steps have been taken to fill them, and abate the nuisance, as provided by the ordinance.

There is another case of more recent date, the Lots at the South West corner of Greene and Mercer streets, were declared a nuisance by resolution, under the ordinance above referred to, and which resolution was approved on the 28th of April last, and the usual notice for objections given, but for some cause, no further steps have been taken towards abating this shameful nuisance: these lots could have been filled in, and the nuisance abated before the first of June, if the regular proceedings under the directions of the Ordinance had been continued. I understand in both of the cases referred to, the parties owning the lots can at a very trifling expense be drained by connecting with a street sewer near by, and as they have had ample time, and neglected to avail themselves of this privilege, the committee having the matter in charge should, without further delay, advertise for proposals and have the lots filled, and the nuisances removed at once. I have thus briefly given you my reasons for withholding my signatures from this ordinance. —I have pointed you to the several existing ordinances having a bearing upon the subject, under consideration, and now cheerfully submit this matter of controversy for you, in your wisdom to decide.

D. S. MANNERS.

Ald Thompson moved "that the ordinance do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Cobb Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—Ald Edge.

Absent—Ald Tyrrell.

Two communications were presented from the Board of Water Commissioners, accompanied by deeds of conveyance, to be executed for the purpose of exchanging some lands, &c.

The communications were received, ordered filed, and the following resolution was offered by Ald Wortendyke:

Resolved, That the Mayor do execute under the city seal, the two deeds sent for that purpose by the Water Commissioners, the one to the executors of John Towne'e, deceased, and the other to the Long Dock Company.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Tyrrell.

The City Treasurer's report for June, 1856, showing a balance in the treasury on the 1st July instant, amounting to $ 1047.12, was presented and referred to committee on finance.

The Comptroller's statements of receipts into the treasury, for March, April, May, and June, 1856, were presented, received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

A communication was presented from the Comptroller, stating that he has been notified of the expiration of improvement certificate No 12.

Received, and the Comptroller authorized, at the end of thirty days to issue his requisition on the Treasurer in favor of the party holding the said certificate, for the amount due on the same.

A communication was presented from the assessors of Taxes, asking for instructions as to the assessment of taxes upon lands under water.

Communication received and referred to committee on laws and ordinances, with instructions to give to the assessor access to the opinions of the Supreme Court of New Jersey on the subject.

(Alderman Thompson obtained leave and retired.)

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the election of John Q. Adams, as a member of Hudson Hose Co. No. 1.

Communication received and the election approved.

A requisition was presented from the Board of Education for the payment of the following claims; and warrants for the amounts were ordered on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants respectively named.

Of J. Wilson $2 00; J. B. Haight, $1 50; John Bell, $1 05; R. B. Earle & Co, $27 50; and James Gilley, $4 25.

The City Clerk presented a report, of which the following is a copy. The report was received and ordered filed

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City, that a notice of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Telegraph, from July 3d, 1856, to July 14th, 1856, both dates inclusive.

Dated, Jersey City, July 15th, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Corporation Notice.—Application to have a Main Sewer constructed from the western terminus of the sewer in Essex street, to extend through Van Vorst and Grand streets to the Westerly side of Grove street, and to connect with the Canal at Grove street, etc.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City, to take preliminary measures for the constructing of a main sewer from the Western terminus of the sewer in Essex street, to extend through Van Vorst and Grand streets, to the westerly side of Grove street, and to connect with the Canal at Grove street, for the purpose of flushing the same, and to construct all the necessary tributary sewers to be connected therewith according to the general plan of sewerage, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in July, A. D 1856, at 8 o'clock P. M., at which time it will hear persons interested in said application, on the merits of the same.

By order of the Common Council,

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, July 3d, 1856.

The city clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy. The report was received and ordered filed:

The city clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Telegraph, from June 10th, 1856, till July 14th, 1856, both dates inclusive.

Dated Jersey City, July 15th, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Corporation Notice.—Notice is hereby given that on the ninth day of June inst., the commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for building a sewer in South Seventh street, and streets adjacent, filed their report and assessment map in the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and unless in thirty days from said date, one half of the owners of the lands to be assessed for said improvement shall file with the city clerk, a remonstrance, signed by them, or their agents, lawfully authorized, the common council will proceed to execute said improvement.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, June 10th, 1856.

The city clerk reported to the Board that on the 12th instant W. H. Tuffs filed his resignation in the city clerk's office, as clerk of the first ward.

The special committee appointed June 17th, 1856, to whom was referred the subject of the application of the Bergen Point Railroad company for permission to lay their railroad tracks through certain

streets, presented a report adverse to granting the prayer of the applicants.

The report was received, ordered to be printed in the minutes, and to be filed in the city clerk's office.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

The undersigned a special committee appointed to confer with the Bergen Point Railroad Co., and the parties remonstrating against their application, to locate their road, through Hudson street, thence to York and other streets, South of the Railroad avenue would beg leave respectfully to report that they have conferred with the above named parties, through their respective counsel and are of opinion that the application of the Railroad Co. should not be granted for the following reasons:

Because York street through which it is sought to construct the tracks of the Railroad aforesaid, is principally built up with a fine class of private dwellings, which, on account of the narrowness of said street, (being 60 feet in width) would be much impaired in value thereby.

Another objection to said application in the opinion of your committee is that there are two of the public schools of this city, now in full operation, located on the said street, and that for many reasons the running of cars past such a building, would be to say the least, annoying, if not dangerous

Your committee would further report that that part of Jersey City, lying south of Railroad Avenue, and through which permission is asked to run this road, has been, is, and in the opinion of your committee will be used almost exclusively for private residences, and that a Railroad running through any of the principal thoroughfares of said part of Jersey City would interfere very materially with the comfort and convenience of the residents thereof.

That your committee would suggest that the Railroad Co. should delay the commencement of their work within the limits of this city until after the next Legislature of the State shall have had an opportunity of modifying the act referred to in the application by authorizing the said company to construct their road to the north of the Railroad Avenue, inasmuch as your committee are informed that an arrangement may be made with the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation company by which the applicants may obtain the facilities necessary for that purpose. And your committee feel less restraint in making the suggestion aforesaid, as they are informed that such a course would meet with the hearty approval of some of the principal corporators, as likewise of many of the inhabitants of that part of the city.

Your committee would represent to your Hon. Body that they do not desire to be understood as interposing the least obstacle toward the object desired by the applicants. That they deem it a commendable project, and one destined to reflect credit on the character of those engaged in it, but that they are impelled, by a sense of public justice to report in accordance with their conviction on the facts of the case; all of which is respectfully submitted.

M. ERWIN,
H. E INSLEY,
ALEXANDER WILSON,
THO. E. TILDEN,
J. R. THOMPSON,
Special Committee.

The committee on finance presented a favorable report, and the following resolution on the petition of Daniel O. Brien, referred to them on the 17th June last.

Resolved, That for the reasons set forth in the petition of Daniel O. Brien, presented to this Common Council on the 17th June last, and pursuant to the recommendation contained in the report of the committee on finance made thereon at this meeting of the Board, permission is hereby given to Daniel O. Brien, to redeem lot thirty four (34) Norman or South 7th street, in block two hundred and forty-five (245) from the sale of the same on the eighth day of March, A. D 1854, for the assessment for building a well and pump at the corner of Monmouth and Bowram streets, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the necessary certificate for redemption, the comptroller to countersign the same, and the Treasurer to receive the amount which may be found due and named therein.

Report received, and resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a favorable report, and the following resolution on the communication of John L. Burst, referred to them on the 17th June last.

Resolved, That a warrant for six dollars and fifteen cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John L. Burst, to refund to him the purchase money and interest at rate of 7 per cent per annum, due for purchase by him at the tax sale of June 9, 1854 for taxes of 1853 on what was assessed as lot 35 warren street on block 27, but is not to be found, and the City Clerk is hereby requested to cancel of record the sale of said lot.

Report received and resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance returned the communication of the Mayor enclosing the Water Commissioners' report, and also said report, which were referred to the committee on the 17th June inst.

The communication and report were ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The Committee on Streets reported sealed proposals received by them in answer to their advertisments for such proposals for street improvement contracts.

The proposals were, on motion of Ald Thurston, opened and read.

They were found to be as follows:

From John R Halladay, and from B. W. Ryder, for the regulation of South Third street, from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth street.

From John R. Halladay, for the regulation of Monmouth street, from one hundred feet south of South Fifth street to the centre of South Eighth st.

From John R. Halladay, for the regulation of South First street, from Grove street to Prospect st.

On motion of Ald Thurston, it was

Resolved, That the two proposals of John R. Halladay and B. W. Ryder, for the contract to regulate, &c., South Third street, from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth street, opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred to the committee on streets with authority to make a contract with the lower one of said bidders, provided that the said committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so.

On motion of Ald Thurston, it was

Resolved, That the proposal of John R. Halladay, for the contract to regulate Monmouth street, from one hundred feet south of South Fifth street to the centre of South Eighth street, opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred to the committee on streets, with authority to make a contract with the said John R. Halladay, provided that the said committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved, That the proposal of John R. Halladay, for the contract to regulate South First street from Grove street to Prospect street opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council be referred to the Committee on Streets with authority to make a Contract with the said John R. Halladay, provided that the said Committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so. Ald. Drayton, submitted two notices and offered the following preamble and resolution.

Whereas, it appears to the Common Council that some of the preliminary proceeding required by the law respecting the sewerage of Jersey City, and the city charter have not been complied with, respecting the application for building a sewer in Wayne street from Hudson street, running through Newark and Railroad avenue with their laterals sewers and tributaries, receiving basins &c Also for a sewer in South third street from the East side of Provost

Street to Monmouth Street with laterals, receiving basins, &c. Therefore

Resolved, That all the proceedings taken by the Common Council relating to the above described application for sewers be, and they hereby are rescinded and the City Clerk be directed to publish in the corporation paper the accompanying notices.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas.—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Nay.—Ald. Hoffman.

Absent.—Ald. Thompson, Tyrrell.

The committee on finance reported adversely to the payment of the two claims of L. A. Pratt & Co, for $34 50 and $26 00, referred to them on the 3d June last

Report accepted

The Committee on Police and License report as correct the Recorder's fourth quarterly report; referred to them on the 22d May last.

Report of the committee accepted.

On motion of Ald Edge, the rule requiring a ballot ing was suspended, and Henry S. Hancox was viva-v ce appointed a weigh-master, for the purpose of weighing coal for his employers Morrell & Randall.

On motion of Ald. Erwin, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday next, the 22d instant at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Ald. Insley presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table, viz :

"An Ordinance to establish, regulate, and control, a Day and Night Police."

Alderman Wilson offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Marshal be instructed to procure twenty fans for the use of the Common Council, not to cost more than six cents each.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Cobb offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to publish in the corporation paper, notice of the expiration of the time for the redemption of property sold September 29th, 1854, for unpaid assessments.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald Wortendyke the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and William Pearsall was viva voce appointed a Chosen Freeholder from the Third Ward in place of Charles M. Holmes, who has removed from said Ward.

On motion of Ald. Clarke, the rule requiring a balotting was suspended, and David Gould was viva voce appointed a member of the Board of Education from the First Ward.

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board then adjourned,

GEO W. C\SSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting, at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 22d, 1856, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present, President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent, Ald. Cobb and Insley.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Petition of Homer Ramsdell and others to have the grade established between Jersey Avenue and Coles street &c. Ref. to Committe on Streets.

Communication from C. F. Durant in reference to the construction of sewers in Newark Avenue and Hudson street, &c. Ref. to committee on sewers.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

Of Isaac Edge, Senior, $200 00 ; Isaac S. Miller, $1 88 ; and of James McLaughlin, $5 27 ; and $3 67. Ref. to committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of James McLaughlin, $9 19. Ref. to committee on Sewers.

Of W. H. Tufts, $16 20. Ref. to committee on Salaries, Offices, and Elections.

Of Samuel Hetherington, $17 00. Ref. to committee on Lamps.

Of W. B. Leach, $10 00. Ref. to committee on Streets.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz :

Of Sunday Policemen, $22 50, and R. D. McClelland, $125 00.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Isaac Wakefield, $9 94; E. D. Riley, $11 66 ; and A. A. Rice, $60 00.

The claim of Bernard Hughes amounting to $183. 33 referred to the committee on streets on the 15th instant was reported correct for $171 92, and that amount was ordered paid

A communication from the Board of Education, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received, and warrants conformable to the requisitions were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the claims therein referred to.

To the Hon. the Common Council of Jersey City.

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held on Tuesday evening, July 15, 1856, a requisition was ordered upon the Common Council in favor of H. N. Gage for $82 50, sixty-two-fifty one hundredths dollars, for rent of room for colored school to August 1st proximo ; the warrant to be receipted, in full to that date and in settlement of any further claim or demand for said premises.

A requisition was also ordered to be made upon the Common Council in favor of Charles Shepard & Co., for two hundred and thirty sixty-seven hundredths $230 67, for books, &c., for use of Public Schools, Nos. 1 and 2.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk of Board of Education.

July 22, 1856.

A communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing a subpœna in chancery and subpœna ticket served upon him by the Sheriff of Hudson county, in the case of Peter Bentley against Daniel Crane and others, was presented, received, and referred to the committee on Laws and Ordinances.

A communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received and referred to the committee on Fire and Water with instructions to confer with the Board of Officers of the Fire Department respecting the subject named in the communication.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City,

Gentlemen :—I would most respectfully recommend that a committee from your Honorable Body be appointed to meet with a committee of the Board of Officers of the Fire Department for the purpose of revising and getting up an ordinance for the better regulation and control of the same.

Yours most respectfully,

S. A. FRENCH, Chief Eng. of Fire Dep.

Jersey City, July 21, 1856.

Communications were presented from the chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the elections to membership of John L. Woodin by Engine company No. 5, and George Henry Dietz by Engine company No. 3.

Communications received and the elections approved

Ald Thompson from the committee on Assessments, presented the assessment for the regulation of Mercer street between Greene street and Washington street, and the same was received, ordered to be filed in the city clerk's office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to give notice through the corporation paper that the Assessors report and map for regulating Mercer street, between Greene street and Washington street is on file in the city clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in August next, at 3 o'clock P. M. to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

The committee on Lamps to whom was referred on the 15th instant, the petition of A. S. Jewell to have a lamp post and lamp placed on the corner of Montgomery and Jersey streets, reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petition. Report received and adopted.

The committee on Streets presented a report and the following resolution on the proposal referred to them on the 15th instant, of John R. Halladay for the contract to regulate &c. Monmouth street, from one hundred feet south of South fifth street to South eighth street, and contracts duly executed by John R. Halladay together with bonds for the performance of the same.

Resolved, That the contracts executed by John R. Halladay for the regulating, filling, &c. of Monmouth street from one hundred feet south of South-5th street to South 8th street be executed on the part of the city by his Honor the Mayor and by the city clerk under the corporate seal of the city, that the bond presented with John R. Halladay's proposal on the 15th instant be returned to him, and that the new one presented this evening be approved and filed in the comptroller's office.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden Tyrrel, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Cobb, and Insley.

The committee on Streets presented a report, and the following resolution on the proposal of John R. Halladay, referred to them on the 15th instant for the contract to fill, &c., South 1st street, between Grove street and Prospect street, and contracts duly executed by John R. Halladay, together with a bond for the performance of the same.

Resolved, That the contracts executed by John R. Halladay for the filling, &c. South 1st street between Grove and Prospect streets, be executed on the part of the city by his Honor the Mayor and by the city clerk under the corporate seal of the city that the bond presented with John R. Halladay's proposal on the 15th instant be returned to him and that the new one presented this evening be approved and filed in the comptroller's office.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Cobb and Insley.

The committee on streets, to whom were referred on the 8th instant the proposals of Bernard Hughes and Alexander Love to sweep and clean the streets of the city, presented a report setting forth that they have accepted Alexander Love's proposal for said contract, accompanied by contracts duly executed by said Love, and the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contracts presented by the committee on Streets this day, executed by Alexander Love, for sweeping and cleaning the streets and avenues in Jersey City, be executed by his Honor the Mayor, and by the city clerk under the corporate seal of the Mayor and Common Council, and that one of said contracts be delivered to Alexander Love and the other filed in the comptroller's office.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald. Erwin, the application of William H. Beebee and Walter Briggs for a license to keep an Inn Tavern was taken from the table.

Ald. Thompson moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald. Gardner, and Thurston.

Absent—Cobb and Insley.

excused

Ald Tyrrell did not vote, but asked to be excused on motion of Ald Wilson was excused from voting on motions to grant license to keep inns and taverns.

On motion of Ald Tilden, the application of Oscar Maltman and Peter P. Post, to keep an inn and tavern was taken from the table.

Ald Edge moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald Gardner and Thurston.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald Wilson, the application of John B. Rae for a license to keep an inn and tavern was taken from the table.

Ald Wilson moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald Gardner and Thurston.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald Hofman, the application of John Allen for a license to keep an inn and tavern was taken from the table.

Ald Edge moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald Gardner and Thurston.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald Wilson, the application of William Moore for a license to keep an inn and tavern was taken from the table.

Ald Wilson moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald Gardner and Thurston.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald Edge, the application of Nathan Turrel for a license to keep an inn and tavern was taken from the table.

Ald Edge moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The Presieent, Ald Gardner and Thurston.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald Erwin, the application of John J. Wanner for a license to keep an inn and tavern was taken from the table.

Ald Erwin moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald. Gardner and Thurston.

Absent Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald. Drayton, John Scofield's application for license to keep an Inn and Tavern was taken from the table.

Ald. Erwin moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald. Gardner and Thurston

Absent—Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, John Higham's application for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern was taken from the table.

Ald. Wilson moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Clark. Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald. Gardner, Thompson and Thurston.

Absent—Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald. Edge, James Lynch's application for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern was taken from the table.

Ald. Edge moved "That the license be granted."

The motion was not adopted, the vote being as follows, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Tilden, Wilson.

Nays—The President, Ald. Gardner, Thompson, Thurston, Wortendyke.

Absent—Cobb and Insley.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman, the petition of Robert Gibson to be appointed a city Auctioneer was taken from the table.

Ald. Hoffman moved "That Robert Gibson be appointed a city Auctioneer."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoff-McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—The President, Ald. Gardner and Tyrrell.

Absent—Cobb and Insley.

Ald. Clarke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Lamps be and is hereby authorized to erect a lamp and post in South fifth street, between Erie street and Jersey Avenue.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Clarke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Lamps be and is hereby authorized to erect a lamp and post on the corner of Montgomery street and Jersey Avenue.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Wortendyke offered the preamble and resolution, which were adopted.

Whereas, it appears that the estate of Patrick Corrigan is indebted to the city for taxes and assessments against a plot of land situate between Newark Avenue and South 8th street, and fronting on the east side of Jersey Avenue—and that the same was sold to the City Treasurer on the 1st day of June, 1854, for $417 54, for regulation of Jersey Avenue, and that the same was sold again to the City Treasurer on the 27th day of July, 1855, for $16 80, for taxes of 1854—and that the same was sold again to the City Treasurer on the 8th day of October, 1855, for the regulation of South 8th street.

And it further appearing that the estate of John B. Coles held a mortgage on said premises, which was foreclosed, and the property sold by the Sheriff of Hudson County on the 19th day of April last, under an agreement that said taxes and assessments should be paid out out of the purchase money; and that there has been a petition filed in the Court of Chancery for that purpose, and an order made by the Chancellor on the 11th day of May last, referring the same to Jacob Weart, Esq., one of the Masters of said Court; and that said Master on the 12th day of May last issued his summons, which was served on the 14th day of the same month on George W Cassedy, Esq., the City Clerk, commanding the Mayor and Common Council to appear before said Master on the 20th day of May last, to prove the amount due said city, and that said Master has made his report, and the Chancellor decreed that the Clerk of the Court of Chancery pay to the City Treasurer the full amount of said taxes and assessments with the legal interest on the same from the day of rates respectively. And it also appearing that said mortgage remains uncancelled of record, and that the city has not given the usual six months notice to the mortgagee; therefore

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the necessary certificates for redemption, the comptroller to countersign the same, and the treasurer to receive the amount which may be found due on said premises for said three sales from the clerk of the Court of Chancery.

Ald Wilson moved, "That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday, the 29th inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Ald. Thompson the motion was amended by striking out 7½ o'clock and inserting in its place three o'clock as the hour.

The motion as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Ald. Thompson the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 29th, 1856, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the President the Board was called to order by the city clerk.

Present, Ald. Clark, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent, President Davenport, Ald. Gardner, Insley and Tilden.

On motion of Ald. Erwin, Alderman Wortendyke was appointed President pro tempore

A petition of John Fiacre and others for the appointment of Alexander Fink as a Watchman or Policeman was presented and laid upon the table.

A remonstrance of Drayton & Durant and others against the proposed regulation of South Sixth street, between Prospect street and Newark avenue, was presented and referred to the committee on Streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows.

Of R. B. Earle & Co., $48 03; and Hudson County Mutual Insurance company, $25 00 Ref to committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Kemp & Ward, $117 30; Kemp & Ward $90 78; and Edward Hope Junior, $14 50. Ref to com. on Alms.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $34 10. Ref to com. on Police and Licenses.

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver $23 50; I B & D. E. Culver $8 00; and Wm. A. Cumming $57 60. Ref to com. on Streets.

Of Joseph Shipley $45 50; and R. B. Earle & Co. $24 67. Ref to com. on Fire and Water.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Daily Telegraph $93 50; Isaac Edge, Senior, $200 00; Hover & Horner $30 13; and Royle & Matthews $6 43.

The claim of William B. Leach amounting to $10 00

for superintending work on South sixth street, between Jersey avenue and Erie street, referred to the common Street on the 22d inst., was reported correct and referred to the com. on assessments to be assessed.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor, of which the following is a copy, was presented and received.

Mayor's office, Jersey City, July 29, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council.—I received yesterday the enclosed communication from Charles J. Farley, chief of Police. I have deemed it proper to lay it before your Honorable Body, as it is due to the public as well as to that officer, that the recent reports to which it refers implicating his character should be thoroughly and duly investigated, all of which is very respectfully submitted.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

P. S.—Policeman Jarvis L. Ayres will perform the duties of the chief until the matter can be investigated.

Hon. D. S. Manners, Mayor.—In consequence of the reports lately in the New York papers, I deem it my duty to decline acting in my official capacity until I get a chance to clear myself of all the charges contained in said report. Respectfully,

C. J. FARLEY, chief of Police.

July 28th 1856.

Ald. Erwin offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, charges have lately appeared in newspapers in the city of New York, derogatory to the moral standing of the chief of Police of this city, and whereas the same have not been satisfactorily explained.

Therefore resolved, that the conduct of the chief of Police in a certain charge of attempt at abduction be and the same is hereby referred to a special committee to investigate the facts and report to this body.

On motion of Ald Edge the resolution was amended by striking out the words "a special committee" and by inserting in their place the words "the committee on Police and Licenses."

The preamble and resolution as amended were then adopted.

A subpœna in chancery, with ticket attached, served upon his Honor the Mayor on the 21st June last, in the foreclosure suit of Peter Bentley, complainant, and Daniel Crane and wife and others, defendants, was presented and referred to the committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The official bond of William Whitley as Overseer of the Poor, referred to the corporation Attorney on the 8th instant, was reported by that officer as drawn in legal form. The bond was approved and ordered filed.

A report by the city clerk of which the following is a copy was presented, received, and ordered filed:

The city clerk respectfully reports to the common council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel, for thirteen days previous to this date. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, July 29, 1856.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have a main sewer constructed in South Third street and connecting laterals

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City, for a main sewer in South Third street to extend from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street, together with lateral sewers in Prospect street, from South First to South Third street, and from South Fourth to South Third street, Grove street from South First to South Third street, Erie street from South First to South Third and from South Fourth to South Third, Jersey do from South Second to South Third, and from South Fourth to South Third. Coles street from South Second to South Third, and from South Fourth to South Third. South Third street from Coles two hundred feet east, and from Jersey Avenue one hundred and ninety feet east, and from Erie street one hundred and ninety feet west, and from Erie street three hundred and seventy-five feet east, and from Prospect street three hundred feet west and two hundred feet east, and in South Fourth street from Erie street, two hundred feet east, and from Jersey Avenue two hundred feet west, and from Coles street two hundred feet west, together with the necessary connections, culverts and receiving basins, and other sewer appurtenances, according to the general plan of sewerage; and that the Committee on Sewers will meet at the City Clerk's office on Monday, July 28th at 8 o'clock P. M., to hear all persons interested therein. By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Jersey City, July 16, 1856.

A report by the city clerk of which the following is a copy was presented, received, and ordered filed:

The city clerk respectfully reports to the common council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for thirteen days previous to this date. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, July 29, 1856.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have a main sewer constructed in Wayne street, Newark Avenue, Railroad Avenue and South Seventh street, west of Newark Avenue, and connecting laterals.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City for a main sewer to extend from the Hudson River east of Hudson to the sewer already built in Wayne street, about 100 feet east of Greene street, and connecting with said sewer at the east side of Washington street, to run through Wayne street, Railroad Avenue, and Newark Avenue to the junction of South Seventh street, thence through South Seventh street to the west side of Brunswick street, and also, lateral sewers in Greene street from Steuben to Wayne, Washington street from Steuben to Wayne, Warren street from Mercer street to Railroad Avenue, and from one hundred feet north of Steuben street to Railroad Avenue; Mercer street from Washington to Warren, Steuben street from Prospect to Greene, Railroad Avenue (south side) from Warren to within thirty feet of the east side of Prospect street; Prospect street from Railroad Avenue to Morgan street; Morgan street from Prospect street to within one hundred feet of Grove, Railroad Avenue from one hundred feet east of Jersey street to Barrow street, and from Barrow street 275 feet east, Barrow street from Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue, Jersey Avenue from Newark avenue to South 8th street, South 8th street, 200 feet east and one hundred feet west, and from Newark Avenue to within 50 feet of Monmouth street, and from Monmouth street to Brunswick street, Monmouth street from South Seventh to South Eighth street, Brunswick street from South Fifth to South Eighth street, and Newark avenue from South Sixth street to the intersection of South Seventh; together with the necessary connections, culverts, receiving basins, and other sewer appurtenances, according to the general plan of sewerage; and that the Committee on Sewers will meet at the City Clerk's office on Monday, July 28th, at 8 o'clock P. M., to hear all persons interested therein. By order of the Common Council of Jersey City.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Jersey City, July 16, 1856.

The committee on Streets presented a report and the following resolution, on the proposals referred to them on the 15th instant for filling, &c. South Third street, between Jersey avenue and Monmouth street.

Resolved, That the contracts for filling up, curbing, guttering, &c. South Third street between Jersey avenue and Monmouth street, which have been executed by John R. Halladay be executed on the part of the city by the Mayor and city Clerk under the city seal that the bond presented at this meeting of the com-

man c uncil be approved and filed in the comptroller's office, and that the bond presented on the 15th July, 1856, by John R. Halladay be returned to him by the city clerk.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tyrrell Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—The President, Ald. Gardner, Insley, and Tilden.

On motion of Ald. Clarke, the "objections" of his Honor filed in the city clerk's office December 17th, 1855, and laid before the Board December 18th, 1855 to approving and signing the resolutions of the 4th December last on the subject of lighting the city with gas, was taken from the table. The message was read.

Ald. Thompson moved "That the resolution do now pass notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—None

Nays—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tyrrel, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—The President, Ald. Gardner, Insley, and Tilden.

The committee on Lamps, who were by resolution of the 3d ultimo instructed to confer with the Jersey City Gas Light company on the subject of lighting the streets of the city with gas, presented a report, and the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposition of the Jersey City Gas Light company to light the city with gas received at this meeting of the common council be accepted and that it be referred to the committee on Laws and Ordinances to embody in an ordinance for this object to be prepared by said committee and reported to the board at its first regular meeting on the first Tuesday in August next.

The report was received, and the resolution ordered to be laid on the table until the next meeting o the board.

The committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, to whom was referred on the 17th June last, so much of the Mayor's Message as relates to public offices &c. presented a report and the following resolution on the subject, accompanied by plans of said Public Buildings.

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to advertise for proposals for a loan of twenty five thousand dollars under the authority of a supplement to the city charter, approved March 16, 1854, for the purpose of erecting a temporary city Hall and Public Buildings. Twenty thousand dollars of said amount to be appropriated for the erection of said City Hall, Public offices, Station House, Fire Bell, and Tower, and the remaining five thousand dollars for the erection of Fire Engine houses.

The report and plans were received and laid upon the table, and the resolution was adopted.

The committee on Finance reported as correct the three reports of the city Treasurer for April, May and June, 1856, and also his report from March 18th, 1856 to March 31st, 1856. Report received and the Treasurer's reports ordered filed.

The committee on Laws and Ordinances reported back Patrick Kelley's tax receipt referred to them on the 17th ultimo, and the same was referred to the committee on Finance.

Ald. Cobb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a bond of ten thousand dollars be issued in favor of William G. Murray payable the 4th day of August 1859, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum to take up bond No. 83 for same amount drawn in favor of I. W. Scudder and due August 4th, 1856, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to sign the same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—The President, Ald. Gardner, Insley and Tilden.

On motion of Ald. Erwin the Board proceeded to the appointment of a collector of Arrears of Taxes.

Ald. Drayton and McComb were appointed and acted as tellers After four unsuccessful ballotings, on motion of Ald. Wilson further ballotting was postponed.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman the Board proceeded to the appointment of Weighmaster.

The same tellers acted.

One unsuccessful balloting was had, when Ald. Hoffman moved "that the board proceed to the appointment of Weigher and Measurer."

The motion was amended on motion of Ald. Tyrrell, so as to read "That the Board do now proceed to the appointment of harbor master, measurer of grain, weigh master, culler of staves and heading, inspectors of beef and pork, pot and pearl ashes, lumber and fire wood, coal and other fuel.

The motion as amended was then adopted.

The board proceeded to ballot, the same tellers acting.

The first balloting was unsuccessful.

On the second balloting William Sanderson received nine votes, and was declared appointed to the offices named.

On motion of Ald. Cobb the board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, August 5th, 1856, at three o'clock.

In the absence of the President the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—President Davenport, Ald. Edge, Insley and Wortendyke.

On motion of Ald Wilson, Ald Cobb was appointed President pro tempore.

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 15th, 1856, and of the adjourned regular meetings of July 22d and 29th, 1856, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of John Taylor and John Sylvester for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern. Laid upon the table.

Petition of J. D. Miller and others to have the grade of Prospect street between South 5th and South 8th streets, established, so as to conform to the present grade of Grove street, South 5th, South 6th, South 7th, and South 8th streets. Ref. to com. on streets.

Communication from Daniel Crane, asking that measures be taken to compel the Morris Canal Company to conform to the ordinances of the city, and their charter &c. Ref. to com. on streets.

Petition of Charles F. Rodman for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Moses H. Bean and Cotton W. Bean, for a license to keep an Inn and Tavern. Laid upon the table.

Remonstrance of Michael Mullone and others against the confirmation of the assessment for regulating Mercer street from Washington to Greene street. Ref to com. on assessments.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of Watch Department, $676 44; and J. F. Richardson $8 00. Ref to com. on Watch.

Of B. Haines, $1 67; J. Parmly, $3 00; S. W. Treadwell $3 00; C. J. Farley, $118 36; and Sunday Police, $22 50. Ref to com. on Police and Licenses.

Of Samuel H. Many, $8 00; and John Perrine, $56 50. Ref to com. on Fire and Water.

Of W. A. Cumming, $1374 46; and Perrine & Chilvers, $7 25. Ref to com. on streets.

Of Perrine & Chilver, $54 91. Ref to com. on Sewers.

Of J. B. Stone, $30 00. Ref to com. on Public grounds and buildings.

Of Drayton & Durant, $68 13 Ref to com. on Alms.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of S. A. French, $100 00; Jasper Wandle, $31 25, Fidelity Division, $75 00; Jasper Wandle, $31 25; Hugh Billingsley, $26 00; J. F. Richardson, $31 00; William Eaton, $20 50; David Bedford, $150 00; G. W. Cassedy, $142 40; G. W. Cassedy, $5 60; and David Bedford, $5 00.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of W. H Tufts, $16 20; J. McLaughlin, $19 00; N. Ellis, $34 10; J. McLaughlin, $5 27; J. McLaughlin, $3 67; and S. Hetherington, $17 00.

The city clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 24th ultimo, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, July 23, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith return without my approval, a resolution instructing the Committee on public grounds and buildings to purchase of Hiram Gilbert parts of Lots 22, 23 and 24 in block 127 for the use of the Fire Department for the sum of one thousand dollars payable in ten years with interest at and after the rate of 7 per cent per annum payable semi annually.

I can not concur in the propriety of making this purchase on the ground that the price is in my judgment very high, and that there is no appropriation made for the purpose of erecting buildings for the Fire Department. There is another fatal objection to this resolution. I was informed at the City Clerks office by John Van Vorst Esq., that he had purchased this property and that he thus had the title to it I understood him to say that in making the purchase that he was only carrying out a former agreement made between him and Mr. Gilbert which was to be based upon the subsequent action of the Common Council relative to the purchase of this property. It will thus be seen that Mr. Gilbert is not the owner of the property and the resolution before me must necessarily fall to the ground.

I therefore return the resolution for reconsideration, and trust that honorable gentlemen will be satisfied to vote upon the simple question before them, in the manner pointed out by the charter, without coupling it with an extraneous preamble and resolution, as was done on a recent occasion, falsifying the acts, and impugning the motives of the Mayor

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

On motion of Ald. Thompson, the communication was laid upon the table.

The city clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 24th ultimo, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, July 23, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I return without my approval a resolution instructing the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to purchase of Charles J Smith lot, seventy-two Warren street for the sum of one thousand dollars, and of Luke C. Lyman a lot on Bright street, near Barrow street, for the sum of nine hundred dollars, for the use of the Fire Department, provided the said parties will receive in payment for said lots, the bonds of the city, payable in ten years, with interest at and after the rate of seven per cent per annum.

Since this resolution has been officially before me, I have examined the lots in question, and find that both of them are meadow lots, one of them only about half the size, the other considerably less than half the area of a full lot, and in my judgment the prices named for these lots are very high, taking into consideration their size and locality, and I have no doubt that I will be borne out in this opinion by a majority of your honorable Body, but even this might not be an insuperable objection, if we had the means to erect suitable buildings thereon for the immediate use and accommodation of the Fire Department.

You must all be aware that no appropriation has been made for the erection of Engine or other houses for the Fire Department, and it would certainly be unwise and unjudicious to purchase these lots at the extreme high prices and pay the interest on their cost, and be subject to future assessments thereon, without any certain or tangible means to erect the necessary building or advance the interest of the Department. Surely we would not practice this mode of financiering in our individual business, and therefore cannot consistently in our public.

In purchasing property for the city, the lowest cash terms, as well as time, should be ascertained, and submitted for consideration, and the city should always be able to command the cash or credit to avail itself of the most favorable terms. But this course has not been practiced by our city authorities; very little concern is usually had about the price; the par-

amount object seems to have been to secure the property by finding parties that were willing to make their own price, and trust the city for five or ten years. To bear me out in this view, I will only cite a single instance. Some time ago, a bond for one thousand dollars payable in five years, issued by our city in payment of certain real estate purchased by the common council, was brought to me for the purpose of ascertaining its value. On examination I found the bond to be genuine, that it had some three or four years to run, and that it had been assigned soon after its being issued, for eight hundred dollars. This assignment had created suspicion on the street both as to the credit of the city, and the genuineness of the bond. All such transactions seriously affect the credit of the city. Besides, from this assurance, I am forced to the conclusion that the city by paying the cash, might have saved twenty per cent of the purchase money of the land for which this bond was given.

I am informed that it is proposed to borrow money for the purpose of erecting buildings on these lots under a special act of the Legislature, approved March 16, 1854, which authorizes the common council to borrow fifty thousand dollars for the purpose of acquiring a suitable site for, and erecting a City Hall and other public buildings at a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent. per annum, and one half the amount of which bonds, shall be payable in fifteen years, and the residue in twenty years after the issuing thereof.

The finance committee have heretofore been authorized to borrow money under the authority of this act, but have never succeeded, and it is very doubtful whether they can now procure a small loan under it.

I therefore cannot concur in the propriety of purchasing lots at high prices for the purpose of erecting buildings thereon, without first providing the means for their erection. I have no doubt that both Mr. Smith and Mr. Lyman would be glad to give the city the refusal of the lots in question at the prices named, until such reasonable time as may be necessary for your honorable Body to ascertain whether the money can be borrowed to erect the buildings.

I therefore return the resolution for re-consideration.

D. S. MANNERS.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, the communication was laid upon the table.

The city clerk laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 29th ultimo, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, July 28th, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith return without my approval a preamble and resolution, adopted by your Honorable Body, rescinding all the preliminary proceedings heretofore taken by the common council, relative to the proposed sewers in Wayne street, Railroad Avenue, Newark Avenue, and South third street, and that the city clerk be directed to publish in the corporation paper the accompanying notices, &c.

I cannot concur in this wholesale procedure of your Honorable Body. All the proceedings heretofore had by the common council relative to these sewers, have been in pursuance of, and under the authority of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to provide for the construction of sewers in Jersey City." This ordinance was intended to provide accurately for all the preliminary proceedings necessary for the construction of any sewer, as required by the charter, and by the 8d section of a supplement to the water law, approved March 16, 1856, which section says, "that when application shall be made to the Mayor and common council of Jersey City, to have a sewer or drain made or constructed in any street, avenue, lane or alley in said city, the same preliminary proceedings shall be had in relation thereto, as are now authorized and directed by the charter, when applications are made for the construction of Sewers." This supplement also repeals certain provisions of the charter relative to sewers, and laying assessments for the cost of their construction. But it does not repeal the preliminary proceedings required by the charter, else the above quoted section would be unmeaning and nugatory. To rescind all the proceedings had by the common council in relation to the sewers in question, would in my judgment vitiate the assessments and throw the whole cost on the city at large.

The amplified notice for objections to said sewers, now being published, is not based on any proper application, and therefore does not meet the requirement of the charter.

The common council have proceeded in this matter under the authority of an ordinance which it is impossible to rescind or repeal by a simple resolution.

But the preamble sets forth that it appears to the common council that the preliminary proceedings required by law have not been complied with. The common council have been directed under the same ordinances in relation to their proceedings, in this matter, as governed them in their proceedings preliminary to the construction of the Essex street sewer. If the same proceedings had under this ordinance, were legal then, they must be so now.

The authorities have by this ordinance declared, that after its adoption, all sewers shall be applied for, and constructed in conformity to its provisions, and no authority is vested in us to change this mode of procedure, without repealing the ordinance in question. By this ordinance, and by the charter, parties interested in the construction of any sewer, are entitled to and have two opportunities to remonstrate against its construction, first to common council on the simple proposition; second to the filed report of the commissioners estimating the cost &c., of the work. The charter is silent on the first notice for objection as to whether they must be made in writing or verbally, but it gives the common council power to regulate its own proceedings, therefore as to the first notice the clerk is bound to publish it, as the common council may direct, and in my judgment if any fatal error has been made in these proceedings it lay at the door of the Water Commissioner, and if such be the case all that can be done, is to suspend operations under the present proceedings, and commence again upon a new and proper application.

I therefore return the resolution for re-consideration.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Hoffman moved "That the preamble and resolution do now pass notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas – None.

Nays—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—The President, Ald Edge, Insley and Wortendyke.

A communication was presented from the Board of Commissioners for assessments, in relation to the improvement map for regulating Jersey street from Mercer to Grand street, &c. The communication was received and referred to the Committee on Assessments. And on motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Assessments are hereby authorized to employ Surveyors to correct the map, or to make a new map of the regulating of Jersey street, from Mercer street to Grand street.

A communication from the Comptroller, stating that he has been notified of the expiration of improvement certificate No. 11, issued to Charles A. Tanner, for one thousand dollars, dated July 7th, 1855, and assigned to Keeney & Halladay, on account of regu-

lation of Prospect street, from Bay street to Pavonia avenue, was presented and received.

The Comptroller was authorized to issue the usual requisition on the City Treasurer at the end of thirty days.

The City Treasurer's report for July, 1856, showing a ballance of $9,204 70, in the Treasury on the 1st August instant, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A communication from the City Treasurer, giving a statement of monies placed in his hands by I. W. Scudder, Esq., for the redemption of property belonging to the estate of Corrigan, sold for taxes and assessments, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City, that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Sentinel, for thirteen days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, August 5, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of Assessment for regulating Mercer street between Greene street and Washington street. Notice is hereby given, that the Assessors Report and Map for regulating Mercer street between Greene street and Washington street, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the first Tuesday in August next, at 8 o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing. By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, July 23d, 1856. jy23td

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy, and the same was received and ordered filed.

The city Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Telegraph for twenty days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, August 5 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have a portion of South 6th street regulated, &c.

Notice is hereby given, that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City, to have south 6th st., regulated, graded and paved side walks laid four feet wide where they are not already laid, and bridgestone crossings, at the intersection of each street, and curbed and guttered, from Prospect street to Newark avenue, except such as is now under contract, from Erie street to Pavonia avenue, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber on the first Tuesday in August next, at 8 o'clock p. m, at which time it will hear and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing to the said improvement.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, June 28, 1856.

The committee on Police and Licenses presented reports in favor of granting to the following named persons, licenses to peddle fish, fruit and vegetables, and said reports were received and adopted, viz:

Lawrence Murta, Thomas Gilroy, Thomas Farrell, Jacob Hahm, Patrick Maloney, James King, and Phelix Jordan.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 8th ultimo, Patrick Kelley's petition in respect to taxes which he supposes have been paid on the wrong lot, and to whom was referred on the 29th ultimo, his receipted tax bill, presented a report setting forth that the lot sold, and which Mr. Kelley thinks belongs to him, is the property of some other party, &c.

Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 17th June last, the petition of G. W. Dempsey and others, to have South 6th street, between Prospect street and Newark avenue, regulated, &c. And on the 29th ultimo the remonstrance of Drayton & Durant and others, against said improvement, presented a report in favor of the proposed improvement, and the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for regulating, grading, and paving, the laying of side walks, four feet wide, where they are not already laid, and bridge stone crossings at the intersections, and for curbing and guttering South Sixth street, from Prospect street to Newark Avenue, except such part of the same as is under contract from Erie street to Pavonia Avenue.'

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table.

A report from the committee on streets in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners for the opening of Montgomery street, signed by Ald Thurston and Clarke, recommending that the committee on Laws and Ordinances be associated with the committee on streets and that the joint committee be instructed to proceed without unnecessary delay to prepare the Ordinance and other papers required, and to take the proper measures to carry into effect the said improvement was presented and received, and a minority report from the committee on streets; signed by Ald Hoffman, adverse to granting the prayer of said petitioners was also presented and received.

The Minority report was laid upon the table, and the majority report was adopted.

The committee on streets presented a report and the following resolution on the application referred to said committee on the 22d ultimo of Homer Ramsdell and others to have the grade of South Third street, between Jersey Avenue and Monmouth street, established.

Resolved, That Saturday the 30th inst, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when parties interested in the application of Homer Ramsdell and others to have the grade of South Third street between Jersey Avenue and Coles street established, will be heard in the City Clerks Office, by the committee on streets, on the merits of the application, and that the city Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper, for twenty days, notice of the presentation of said application and of the time and place appointed for a hearing before the Committee on Streets.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Ald. Tilden from the committee on Police and Licenses, to whom was referred, on the 29th ultimo, the communication from the Chief of Police, asking that the charge made against him of attempted abduction in the city of New York, be investigated, made a verbal statement in respect to the matter, and asked that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Committee were on motion of Ald. Thompson discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the Chief of Police was allowed to address the Board in respect to the recent charge made against him.

(Ald. Drayton and Hoffmon obtained leave and retired.)

Ald. Thompson, from the committee on Assessments, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Mercer street between Green and Washington street, and that said Assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas.—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Erwin, Gardner, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays.—None.

Absent.—The President. Ald. Drayton, Edge, Hoffman, Insley and Wortendyke.

Ald Thompson, from the committee on Assessments offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the committee on Finance, in favor of John Hedden for one thousand and forty-two 96-100 dollars being the amount of his bill for Regulating Mercer st. between Washington and Greene st., and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Erwin, Gardner, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—The President, A'd. Drayton, Edge, Hoffman, Insley and Wo tendyke.

Ald Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the committee on Finance, in favor of J. B. and D. E. Culver for eighteen dollars and ~~twenty-two~~ cents, being the amount of their bill for Surveys and maps for regulating Mercer st., from Greene to Washington st., and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Cobb, Erwin, Gardner, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—The President, Ald Drayton Edge, Hoffman, Insley and Wortendyke

Ald Thompson from the committee on Assessments offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finence, in favor of William More for forty-one 25-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for Superintending improvement of Mercer st. between Green and Washington st., and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas.—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Erwin, Gardner, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays.—None.

Absent.—The President, Ald. Drayton, Edge, Hoffman, Insley, and Wortendyke.

Ald. Tilden, from the committee on Lamps, presented a misority report on the subject of entering into a contract with the Jersey City Gas Light Company, to light the streets with gas. The Report was received and laid upon the table.

The committee on Sewers reported the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted.

Whereas, On the twenty second day of December, A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty five, the commissioners of est mate and assessment of the cost for building a receiving basin and culvert, at the Southwest corner of Grove and Montgomery streets, filed their report and map in the City Clerk's office, and the City Clerk has published for the length of time required by the City Charter, notice of such filing, and for the filing of remonstrances against said improvement, and no remonstrance has been filed. Therefore

Resolved, That a receiving basin and culvert be constructed at the Southwest corner of Grove and Montgomery streets, and that the Board of Water Commissioners are hereby requested to construct said receiving basin and culvert.

Ald Thurston presented the following entitled ordinance and the same was laid upon the table—viz:

An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance declaring nuisances."

A communication from the chief of Police, on the subject of the charges against him, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Cobb and adopted.

Resolved, That the sale by this corporation made September 15th 1853, of lot number Nine (9) Montgomery street in Block Thirty-four (34) to Benjamin O. Edge, for taxes of 1852 be cancelled of record by the city clerk for the reason that the owner of the lot holds a receipt for said taxes signed by the collector of taxes for that year and that a warrant for the purchase money ($15 73) with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum, be drawn on the City Treasury in favor of Benjamin O. Edge, to be delivered to him on his surrendering his declaration of sale to the city clerk for cancelling.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Cobb and adopted.

Resolved, That the Mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue under the corporate seal of the city Declarations of sale to purchasers at the sale of the 4th instant of property for the assessment for building a sewer in Essex street.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Cobb and adopted:

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue the necessary declarations of sale to purchaser, at the adjourned tax sale held on the 4th instant, and to affix the corporate seal of the City thereto.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Cobb and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of the Water Commissioners, for the sum of twenty-six 64-100 ($26 64) being an amount of money deposited in the City Treasury, by order of Court, in settlement of a claim of the said Water Commissioners for Water rents, upon a certain lot assessed to Mrs. Corrigan, situate in South 8th street.

The following resolution was offered for Ald. Hoffman, by the President pro tempore, and was ~~adopted~~ laid upon the table.

Resolved, That the committee on Fire and Water be instructed to purchase five hundred feet of hemp hose not to cost more than forty cents per foot for the use of Fire Department.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Wilson and ~~adopted~~ laid upon the table.

Resolved, That the committee on Health, be and are hereby empowered, to use all power which may be necessary to abate all Epidemic and cause all measures for the purpose of preserving the health of the city.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, August 19, 1856, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Worrendyke.

Absent—A'd. Edge, Gardner, Insley, and Thompson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows.

Petition of J. Wilson and others to have a sewer constructed in Newark Avenue, between Warren and Henderson streets.

Ref. to the Committee on Sewers; the 1st day of September next at 7½ o'clock P. M., at the City Clerk's office appointed as the time for a hearing before the Committee on Sewers, of parties interested in the proposed improvement on the merits of the same.

Petition of George Webb to be appointed a City Auctioneer. Ref. to the Committee on Police and Licenses.

Petition of John Post for the speedy construction of the Rail Road Avenue sewer with its laterals.—Ref to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Edward McGonnell for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables. Ref to the committee on Police and Licenses.

Petition of Thomas Lynch for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables. Ref. to the Committee on Police and Licenses.

Petition of Edward P. Torrey and others to have Morgan street, from Grove street to the west side of Greene street filled to the grade, paved &c. Ref. to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Charles J. Smith and others to have Steuben street from Prospect street to the west side of Greene street filled to the grade, paved, &c. Ref to the committee on streets

Communication from William Keeney, asking that the construction of South Seventh Street sewer be proceeded with or else that the deposits of money made by him be returned. Ref. to the Committee on Sewers.

Notice from William H. Jeliffe Esq., that a claim has been placed in his hands for collection amounting to $11.13 for work done by E. Capron. Ref. to the committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Notice from T. O. LeRoy & Co., that a claim amounting to $11.13 for work done by E. Capron has been placed in the hands of W. H. Jelliffe Esq., for collection. Ref. to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of George Stratford and others to have South Seventh street, between Monmouth and Brunswick streets, regulated, graded, curbed, &c.

Ref to the Committee on Streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of P. McCafferty, $3851 53; W. A. Cumming, $3550 41; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $52 15; W. Moore, $116 25; and I. B. & D. E. Culver, $57 00.

Ref. to the Committee on Streets.

Of S Billington, $15 00; C. T. Gardner, $67 97; M. Mullone $11 50; W. Whitley, $23 75; Brinkerhoff & Son, $3 00; and H. Taylor, $189 20.

Ref. to the Committee on Alms.

Of Woolsey & Woolsey, $105 43; H. P. Robertson, $5 00; H. A. Miller & Co., $10 87; and H. A. Miller & Co., $23 28.

Ref. to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Of W. H. Wood, $65 00; and W. H. Wood, $45 00 Ref to the Committee on Finance.

Of D. Bedford, $9 00. Ref to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of H. A. Miller and & Co., $108 61; and H. A. Miller & Co., $72 16. Ref to the Committe on Lamps.

Of D. L. Reve, $16 67. Ref to the Committee on Salaries, Officers, and Elections.

Of Special Police of August 14, 1856, $13 00. Ref to the committee on Police and Licenses.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of laborers on streets, $5 62; laborers on streets, $43 62; Charles A. Hecksher & Co., $490 05; and Charles A Hecksher & Co., $528 00.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Kemp & Ward, $117 30; Kemp & Ward, $90 78; R. B. Earle & Co., $43 03; Perrine & Chilver, $54 91; Perrine & Chilver, $7 25; Drayton & Durant, $68 13; J. B. Stone, $30 00; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $8 00; W. A Cumming, $57 60; E. Hope, Junior, $14 50; and Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company, $25 00.

The claims of I. B & D. E. Culver, $23 50; and Wm. A. Cumming, $1374 46 referred to the committee on streets at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and then referred to the committee on Assessments to be assessed.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor, announcing the suspension of William Reen, a city Watchman, charged by the Captain of the Watch with neglect of duty, was presented, received, and referred to the committee on Watch.

The Recorder's report for the quarter ending July 31st, 1856, was presented, received, ordered to be published in the minutes, and referred to the committee on Police and Licenses. Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

In pursuance of the Charter and obligation imposed upon me as the Recorder of the City of Jersey City, I must respectfully beg leave to submit unto your honorable body my first quarterly report ending July 31st, 1856.

There were arrested by the Night Watch and Police in the month of May, 1856, fifty eight persons, who were disposed of as follows, viz:

18 were fined $2 00 $36 00.
12 committed to the City Prison.
13 " " County Jail.
1 " " Poor House.
5 held to bail to appear at Court.
9 discharged.

There were arrested by the Night Watch and Police in the month of June, 1856, fifty-nine persons, who were disposed of as follows, viz:

16 were fined $2 00 each, $32 00.
13 committed to the City Prison.
13 " " County Jail.
5 held to bail to appear at Court.
12 discharged.

There were arrested by the Night Watch and Police in the month of July, 1856, eighty three persons who were disposed of as follows, viz:

26 were fined $2 00 each, $52 00.
1 fined $5 00.
1 fined $3 00.
17 were committed to the City Prison.
19 " " County Jail.
1 held to bail to appear at Court.
18 discharged.

The total amount of fines received during the first quarter ending July 31st, one hundred and twenty eight dollars, I have paid to the City Treasurer, all of which is most respectfully submitted.

DAVID BEDFORD, Recorder.

A communication from the Chief of Police, accompanied by two affidavits connected with the alleged misconduct of that officer in the city of New York, was presented, received, and referred to committee on Police and Licenses.

On motion of Ald. Cobb, it was

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to suspend Charles J. Farley, Chief of Police, and that the charge made by Alderman Erwin be referred to the Committee on Police and Licenses, so that Mr. Farley may have an opportunity of being heard in his defence.

A communication, with accompanying document from the Board of Water Commissioners, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council:

OFFICE OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.
JERSEY CITY, August 11th, 1856.

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

The Mayor in his communication to you bearing date July 28th, and which has just appeared in the published proceedings of your body, in the paper of the 7th inst., has made allusion to this Board in the following language: "In my judgment, if any fatal error has been made in these proceedings, (meaning the Sewer in Newark Avenue,) it lays at the door of the Water Commissioners; and if such be the case, all that can be done is to suspend operations under the present proceedings, and commence again upon a new and proper application."

We are at a loss to understand the allusion of the Mayor to this Board. He makes a gratuitous assertion regarding it, without sustaining his pronounced judgment with a single reason. In this uncertainty we deem it our privilege to address ourselves to you.

Our duty is to build the sewers when ordered by the Mayor and Common Council, and to collect the cost of their construction from the owners of the property assessed. We have no power, of our own will, to construct sewers.

The whole preliminary proceedings must go through the Common Council. After receiving from your Board, directions to proceed and build any particular sewer, then the responsibility begins with us, and not before. We have no connexion or responsibility with the preliminary proceedings, while in your hands.

After receiving the proper notice from you, to proceed and build the Newark Avenue Sewer, and its tributaries, we advertised for proposals to do the work, and after receiving such proposals, and were about entering into contract for it, then we felt our responsibility to begin as agents of the City. Henceforth any error found in the proceedings would involve us in responsibility and accountability.

We were to bind the city to pay for the work, and the City looked to the correctness of our assessment to reimburse itself of the expense. It was at this stage of proceedings, and admonished by a recent decision of the Supreme Court adverse to the City, that we deemed it prudent to consult our counsel, A. O. Zabriskie, Esq.

As your presiding officer is Ex-officio one of the Water Commissioners, our Board required him as chairman of a committee for the purpose, to take the advice of our said counsel as to the correctness of the proceedings thus far, for if any errors of omission or commission had been made, and we assumed them without our knowledge, we could not escape censure if the City became involved in loss. The counsel pointed out two errors committed by you which might lead to litigation and expense if not corrected, or to ultimate loss, viz: In that of insufficiency and want of fulness in the description of the route of the sewer and tributaries and in requiring objections to the building of the sewer, in writing.

The counsel founded his opinion on a recent decision made by the Supreme Court, on your effort to open Montgomery street, when these defects were held by the Court to be fatal.

As this decision has not been published, we hand you a copy annexed. You will observe that this decision is subsequent to your acts connected with the building of the Essex street sewer, to which reference is made by the Mayor to sustain his position.

That no more time should be lost in an attempt to get this sewer built the Water Commissioners hold the proposals for building it in suspense, until the Mayor and Common Council should be enabled to amend and correct their preliminary proceedings in the shortest possible time, and then push on the work, and avoid any pretence of those assessed to endeavor to set aside the assessment.

The President of your Board, prepared, under the advice of your counsel, the preamble and resolution, which was adopted by your Board. It is this proceeding that the Mayor in his wisdom has deemed it necessary to veto.

It is not for this Board to express any opinion in the premises. The Water Commissioners ask the privilege of vindicating themselves, so far as they acted in the matter, from the unjust charge of the Mayor as expressed in his veto.

Any further delay or postponement rests with you and the Mayor.

With these explanations before you, if the Mayor and Common Council deem it our duty to proceed with the work we shall feel released from censure if any arise, in the supposed illegality of the assessment and proceed with the work, without further delay.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. S. GREGORY,
M. B. BRAMHALL,
H. M. TRAPHAGEN,
E. RANDALL,
Water Commissioners.

Extract from the decision of Judge Potts, relative to the opening of Montgomery street.

"With these preliminary remarks I proceed first to examine that class of reasons assigned for reversal in this case, which relates to the Common Council.

1. The 55th section of the charter of Jersey City enacts that "when any application shall be made for opening, altering or widening any street &c., the Common Council shall appoint a time when persons interested therein may be heard before them or the appropriate Committee on the merits of such application and shall give notice of such application, and the time and place of hearing &c. Upon inspecting the proceedings, it appears that instead of appointing a time for the hearing, the Common Council simply directed the Clerk "to give the required notice for objections," and it seems that he fixed upon the regular meeting of the Common Council of the 2d., Sept. ensuing as the time and gave notice accordingly. This omission on the part of Council is objected to as error.

2. Upon inspecting a copy of this notice given by the Clerk it appears to be a notice that at the time and place mentioned, Council would hear and consider any objections to said improvement that might be presented in writing. And it is further insisted that Council had no favor under the charter, thus to limit the right to make objections.

Now in failing to appoint a time for hearing, the Common Council undoubtedly omitted to comply with one of the express directions of the charter, and in the notice that they would hear such objections as might be presented in writing only, for that is the effect of it, they clearly exceeded their authority.

It may be that neither of these departures from the directions of the charter were calculated seriously to interfere with the rights of the property holders whose lands were to be taken; yet in point of fact the power delegated to the Common Council was not strictly pursued in these particulars, and their jurisdiction to pass the ordinances therefore fails.

The appearance of Durant before the Council at the time and his presenting a written remonstrance does not cure the difficulty, for he did it expressly reserving all legal objections."

(Ald. Hoffman, Cobb, and Drayton, obtained leave and retired.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell it was

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed to investigate all the preliminary proceedings, so far had in regard to the Newark Avenue sewer, and report to this Board.

Ald. Tilden, Hoffman, and Erwin, were appointed such Committee, Ald. Tyrrell declining to serve on the Committee.

Communications were presented and received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department announcing the following elections, resignations and expulsions in Fire Department, viz:

Elections of Henry Jeckel, John Worster, and Frederick Boo man, by Hose Company No. 2; George H. Williamson. by Hose Company, No. 1; and Philip D No'an, by Engine Company No. 2.

Resignations of Samuel M. Cocken, from Engine Company No. 5; and George J. Miller from Engine Company No. 2.

Expulsion of T. H. Schaffer, A. Morrell, P. G. Appleton, J. J. Kipp, Francis R ker, Joseph Mallon, William Armstrong, James Smith, P. Delaney, James Price, John Lynch, P. Foley. P. King, John Cane, Matthew Herrie, and James Hanegan.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, reported a statement of, and rec ipt for, monies paid by them to discharge claims under the lien law, against Public School House, No. 2, under the appropriation made to the Committee for that purpose. Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets presented a report and the following resolution, on the petition of J. D. Miller, and others, referred to the Committee on the 5th inst., asking to have the grade of Prospect street altered.

Resolved, That Monday, the first day of September next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be appointed as the time when parties will be heard by the Committee on Streets of this Common Council at the City Clerk's office, No 23 Montgomery street, on the merits of the application presented to the Common Council on the 5th day of August, 1856, by J. D. Miller and others as the alteration of the grade, and construction of Prospect street, between South 5th and South 8th streets in the Fourth Ward.

And that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper, notice of the presentation of said application and of the appointment of said time of hearing. The report was received and resolution adopted.

The Committee on streets reported a Sealed proposal received by them for the contract to regulate, &c., Bay street from Prospect street to Grove street, accompanied by a bond for the performance of the contract.

The proposals was opened, and read, and found to be from Keeney & Halladay, and the bond signed by William Keeney, John R. Halliday, and James S. Noyes.

On motion of Ald. Thurston it was

Resolved, That the proposal of Keeney & Halladay to regulate, &c., Bay street from Prospect street to Grove street, and the accompanying bond, presented at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred to the Committee on streets, with authority to make a contract with said parties, if the Committee deem it to the interests of the City to do so.

On motion of Ald. Wilson the rule requiring ballotings was suspended, and David W Stone was viva voce appointed Clerk of the First Ward, and James Flemming Junior was viva voce appointed Clerk of the Second Ward.

Ald Wortendyke offered the following resolution

Resolved, That the resolutions passed at the last regular meeting of this Common Council confirming the assessment for the regulating of Mercer street between Greene and Washington streets, and ordering Improvement Certificates on said work to be issued, be and they are hereby rescinded.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Erwin, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley and Thompson.

Ald. Cobb offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the committee on finance are hereby authorized to borrow for the use of the City, in anticipation of taxes for the present year, the sum of Five thousand dollars, at a rate of interest not to exceed seven per cent per annum, and that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and requested to issue under the corporate seal of the city, a bond payable the first day of January next for said sum of Five thousand dollars, on the requisition of said committee, to the party or parties from whom said monies may be borrowed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Erwin, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley and Thompson.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be, and is hereby authorized to expend the amount of the appropriation to improve Hamilton Square, in erecting a temporary fence, and for surveying, grading, and setting out ornamental trees. The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald Tyrrell it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be associated with the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings in making the proposed improvement of Hamilton Square

On motion of Ald. Thurston it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at Common Council Chamber, on Thursday, the 21st instant at 7½ o'clock P. M.

On motion of Ald. Cobb the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Thursday August 21st 1856 at 7 ½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport; and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, Thompson Tyrrell and Wilson.

A communication was presented from Hiram D. Crane asking to have refunded monies paid by him on an erroneous assessment. Received and referred to Committee on Streets

A communicatton was presented from H. French asking to have refunded the amount deposited by him in the City Treasury to defray the preliminary expenses connected with the sewer proposed to be built in Wayne street and Newark and Railroad Avenues. Received and referred to Committee on Sewers.

A claim of A. F. Berlen, amounting to $8 38 was presented, received, and referred to the Commmittee on Fire and Water.

The Committee on Police and Licenses to whom were referred on the 19th instant the petitions of George Webb, Thomas Lynch, and Edward McGonnell for License to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables, presented reports recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Reports received, and licenses ordered to be issued.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at previous meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Watch Department, $676 44; B. Haines $1.67; H. A. Miller & Co., $72.16; M Mullone, $11.50; H A Miller & Co., $108.61; M. Mullone, $34.00; W. Whitley, $23.75; S. W. Treadwell, $3 00; H. Taylor $139 20; C. J. Farley, $118.36; J. F. Richardson, $8.00. Dr. Reave, $16.67; Sunday Police, $22.50; Special Police, $13.00; J. Parmly, $3 0; H. Riley, $22.99; and S. A French, $4.50.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That Monday, September 15th, 1856, at 7 ½ o'clock P. M, at the City Clerk's office, be appointed as the time and place when and where parties interested will be heard by the Committee on streets on the merits of the application presented to the Common Council on the 19th day of August 1856 by Edward P. Torrey and others to leave Morgan street from Grove street to the west side of Greene street filled to the grade, paved &c., and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper notice of the presentation of said applica-

tion and of the appointment of the above time and place for a hearing. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Monday, September 15th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at the City Clerk's Office, be appointed as the time and place, when and where parties interested will be heard by the Committee on Streets, on the merits of the application presented to the Common Council on the 19th day of August, 1856 by George Stratford and others, to have South Seventh street, between Monmouth and Brunswick streets, regulated, graded, curbed, guttered &c. And that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper, notice of the presentation of said application, and of the appointment of the above time and place for a hearing. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Monday, September 15th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock P. M., at the City Clerk's Office, be appointed as the time and place when and where parties interested will be heard by the Committee on Streets on the merits of the application presented to the Common Council on the 19th day of August, 1856, by Charles J. Smith and others, to have Steuben street from Prospect street to the west side of Greene street, filled to the grade, paved, curbed and guttered, and cross-walks and flagging, four feet wide laid, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper, notice of the presentation of said application, and of the appointment of the above time and place for a hearing. The resolution was adopted.

Ald McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of Frederick Perrott, for one hundred and sixty-five dollars, being the amount of his contract for building carriage for Passaic Hose Co, No (4) four. The resolution was adopted.

(Ald. Clarke obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald Insley, the ordinance presented on the 15th ultimo, entitled, "An ordinance to establish, regulate, and control, a day and night police," was taken up for consideration.

Ald. Insley offered a substitute.

Pending the discussion of the ordinance and substitute on motion of Ald. Wortendyke the Board adjourned to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday, the 26th instant, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, August 26, 1856 at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport: and Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman and Thompson.

The business pending at the adjournment on the 21st instant, was on motion laid upon the table, temporarily.

Petitions—Communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Amos Cranmer to be appointed a City Watchman. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Rufus K. McHarg to have the lots fronting on the north side of Van Vorst Square, filled up &c., Ref. to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Morrell & Vanderbeck and others to have the privilege of doing their own paving in Steuben street, between Washington and Greene streets, &c. Prayer of petitioners, contained in their application granted.

Petition of Alexander Wilson and others to have the privilege of doing their own paving &c, in Steuben street between Washington and Warren street &c. Prayer of petitioners, contained in their application granted.

Petition of Henry Steele to have measures taken to prevent the driving of cows upon and over the side walks in the city, &c. Ref to Committee on Police and Licenses.

Petition of Henry Steele and son and others to have Wayne street from Greene to Hudson street filled and graded. Ref. to Committee on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

James M. Newkirk $3.21 and $3 21. Ref to Committee on Arm.

Of Alexander Love $78 08. Ref to Committee on Salaries, Officers, and Elections.

Of G W. Downing, $7.50. Ref to Committee on Police and Licenses.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of Wm. H Wood, $65.00 and $45 00; and D. Bedford $9 00.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department announcing the following election and resignations in said Department viz:

Election of Joseph Campbell by Engine Company No. 3. Resignations of John Denver and Francis Bagley, from Hose Company No. 4 and of James Fenner from Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1.

Ald. McComb from the Committee on Assessments presented the assessments for regulating, paving curbing, guttering bridging, cross-walks and flagging side walks of Jersey street from Mercer street to Grand, including intersections; and the same was received, and ordered to be filed in the City Clerks' office.

On motion of Ald. McComb, it was

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper, that the Board of Commissioners of estimate for Assessment's report and map for the regulating, paving, curbing, guttering, bridging, crossways, and flagging sidewalks of Jersey Street from Mercer street to Grand, including intersections, is on file in the City Clerk's office, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in September next at 7½ o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections thereto which may be presented in writing.

Ald. Drayton offered the following resolutions, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney is hereby instructed to prepare a statement of the necessary preliminary proceedings to be taken by the Mayor and Common Council in the construction of drains, sewers, and receiving basins, and also forms of notices and resolutions to be used in conducting such proceedings, and furnish said statement and forms to the Committee on sewers with as little delay as possible.

Ald. Cobb offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That Peter Dolan, Pound Keeper of the third ward, is hereby suspended from duty for transcending his duties as Pound Keeper, for abusive conduct and drunkenness while acting in that capacity and for abusive language to a member of this Board while remonstrating with him against his illegal acts; and that Saturday, the 30th instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M. at the City Clerk's office, be appointed as the time and place, where and when he will be heard before the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings in defence of these charges.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the ordinance to establish &c. a day and night Police, and the substitute offered by Ald. Insley were taken up for consideration.

On motion of Ald Tilden, the substitute was laid upon the table.

Ald. Tilden offered a substitute for the ordinance. The ordinance was amended by the adoption of Ald. Tilden's substitute, and after further amendments, the ordinance as amended was passed by the follow-

ng vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman and Thompson.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns it will adjurn to meet again on Thursday, the 28th instant at 7½ o'clock P. M., at the Common Council Chamber.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, it was

Resolved, That the hour of meeting of the Common Council, until further ordered shall be 7½ o'clock in the evening.

On motion of Ald. McComb the Board then adjourned

GEO. W CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Thursday August 28th 1856.

The Board was called to order at 8½ o'clock P. M., a quorum not appearing until that hour.

Present—President Davenport; and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Thompson and Wilson

A petition of Thomas B Decker to have refunded moneys erroneously paid by him to the Collector of Assessments on the wrong lot, were presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A petition of G. H. Linsley and others for the appointment of William R. Hillyer to the vacant scholarship in Columbia College, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on schools.

A claim of Nathaniel Ellis, amounting to $21 80 was presented, received, referred to the Committee on Police and Licenses, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

A claim of Alexander Love amounting to $378 08 referred to the Committee on Salaries, officers and Elections, on the 26th instant, was reported correct for $305.56, and that amount was ordered paid.

A claim of Charles T. Gardner, amounting to $67 - 97 referred to the Committee on Alms on the 19th instant was reported correct and ordered paid.

The following claims were presented received, referred to the Committee on streets, reported correct, and then referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed, viz:

Of I. B and D. E. Culver, amounting to $68 00 for surveying for the improvement of Prospect street from Passaic Avenue, to one hundred feet north of North Sixth street; and of James S. Noyes, amounting to $2180 84 for labor and materials furnished for the same improvement.

The following claims referred to the Committee on Streets on the 19th instant, were reported correct, and referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed, viz.

Of William Moore, $116 25, for superintending the grading, paving, &c., of Warren street from Montgomery to Morgan street; I. B & D. E. Culver, $52 15, for surveys and assessment maps for the same improvement; and of Patrick McCafferty, $3851 53, for furnishing materials and labor on the same improvement.

Of I. B. & D. E. Culver, $57 00, for surveys, assessment maps, &c., for regulation of Wayne street from the centre of Jersey Street to two hundred feet west of Putnam street, and of William A. Cumming, $2550 41, for materials furnished and labor done on the same improvement

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell it was

Resolved, that the rule requiring all reports to be signed by a majority of the committee, be suspended to enable the Board to receive and act on a report from the Special committee appointed to investigate the preliminary proceedings had in relation to the Wayne street, Newark and Railroad Avenue sewers, signed by only one of the committee.

Ald. Tilden then presented a report on that subject signed by himself alone.

The report was received, read, and discussed at length.

The committee were discharged.

Ald. Clarke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Lamps be and are hereby authorized to have a Lamp and Post erected on the corner of Bright and Barrow streets.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Wortendyke offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, serious doubts exist respecting the sufficiency and legality of the preliminary proceedings had by the Common Council under the application for building a sewer in Wayne street from Hudson street running through Newark Avenue and Railroad Avenue, with their lateral sewers and tributaries, &c. Also for a sewer in South 3d street, from the E side of Provost street to Monmouth street, with laterals &c., and this Common Council being desirous to avoid all possible risk to the city, in the construction and costs of said works involving a large cost and expenditure.

Therefore Resolved, that all the proceedings taken by the Common Council and now unrescinded relating to the above stated applications for sewers be and they are hereby rescinded; and that said applications be referred back to the com. on Sewers

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

On motion of Ald. Drayton it was

Resolved, That the resolution by which the Common Council on the 19th instant, appointed September 1st, 1856, as the time for a hearing of parties before the committee on Sewers on the merits of the application of James Sodan and others to have a Sewer constructed in Newark Avenue between Warren and Henderson streets, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

On motion of Ald. Drayton, it was

Resolved, That Monday, September 22, 1856, at 7½ o'clock P M. at the City Clerk's office, be appointed as the time and place when and where parties interested in the application to have a sewer constructed in Newark Avenue, between Warren and Henderson streets will have a hearing before the committee on Sewers on the merits of said application, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper notice of the appointment of the time and place for such hearing.

(Ald. Insley obtained leave, and retired.)

On motion of Ald Thurston, the following ordinance presented on the 5th instant, was taken from the table. viz:

"An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance declaring nuisances.'"

The ordinance was considered, amended in its sections; and on motion of Ald. Thurston amended in its title so as to read "A Supplement to an Ordinance" entitled "An Ordinance declaring nuisances, passed June 19, 1856."

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Drayton, Gardner, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson and Wilson.

On motion of Ald. Drayton the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, September 2d 1856, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport; and Ald. Clarke, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden Tyrrell Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Edge, and Thompson.

The minutes of the meetings of the 19th 21st 26th and 28th ultimo, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows.

Petition of Samuel M. Chambers for the appointment of his son Miles S. Chambers to the vacant scholarship in Columbia College, held by the City. Referred to Committee on School's.

Petition of William Layland and others to have the hog and cow pens at the intersection of Grand and Coden Streets, declared a nuisance, and removed forthwith, &c. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Daniel B. Alger and others to have Hamilton Square laid out, fenced &c. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Petition of S. W. Edelstein and others to have a sewer constructed in Morgan street, from Grove street to the west side of Greene street, before said street is ordered filled, graded or paved. Referred to Com. on Sewers.

Petition of Michael Mullone, for the construction of a sewer to drain his property, from the corner of Mercer and Greene streets, &c. Referred to Com. on Sewers.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of J. Wallace, $4 00; J. M. Leonard, $51.25; J. M. Leonard. $23 75; J. M. Leonard, 25.00; P. W. Griffiing, $2 00; J. R Halladay, $116.33; R. B. Kashow, $1.04; J. R. Halladay, $29 93; J. R. Halladay, $875.89; and I. B. and D. E. Culver, $23 00. Ref. to Com on Streets

Of A. Clerk & Co, $49 74; A. Clerk & Co., $111 49; G. W. Cassedy $32 56; R. B Kashow, $1 80; $2 16; $22 63; $6 42; and $2 39. Ref. to Com. on Finance.

Of Isaac Wakefield, $40 01; H Billingsley. $27 00; J. F. Richardson, $32 00; J. F. Richardson, $24 51; W. Eaton, $20 51, and H. A. Miller & Co., $72 80. Ref. to Com. on Lamps.

Of J. A. French, $4 06: Drayton & Durant, $56 04; and C. N. Betts, $6 50. Ref. to Com. on Alms.

Of H. A. Miller & Co, $12 82; H. A. Miller & Co. $1 88; H. A. Miller & Co., $10 38; and R. B. Kashow $2 72. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of H. A. Miller & Co., $10 81; and J. F. Richardson, $8 00. Ref. to committee on Watch.

Of James Wallace $5 00. Ref. to committee on Public Health.

Of R. B. Kashow $2 00. Ref. to committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Of J. A. Topping $1 00. Ref. to committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 30th ultimo, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

JERSEY CITY August 30, 1856.
MAYOR,S OFFICE,

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I return without my approval, a resolution authorising the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to expend the amount of the appropriation to improve Hamilton Square, in erecting a temporary fence, and for grading, setting out ornamental Trees and Surveying.

This resolution does not meet the requirements of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to provide for the regulating and embellishing of the Public Squares in Jersey City," approved June 8, 1854, but is directly in conflict with several of the provisions of that ordinance. I therefore return the resolution without my signature and trust that there may be no unnecessary delay in adopting proper measures to expend the appropriation in grading and improving Hamilton Square.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Wilson moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the ayes and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—None.

Nays—The President, Ald. Clarke, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald Cobb, Drayton, Edge and Thompson.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on this 2d instant, and the same was read, received and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Sept. 2, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I return without my approval a resolution adopted by your Honorable Body on the 28th ult. rescinding all the proceedings here of re taken by the Common Council, preliminary to the construction of South third street, and the Wayne street, Railroad and Newark Avenue sewers.

I returned to your Honorable Body on the 28th of July last, with my objections a resolution of a purport precisely similar, differing only in an immaterial point, as to the applications for said sewers, and which does not effect the question under consideration.

The objections which I deemed fatal to the resolution returned to the Common Council on the 28th of July, and which were considered at the next regular meeting, and sustained by the unanimous vote of the members then present, will apply with equal force to the resolution before me and to which I would respectfully direct your attention.

Besides the objections referred to, there are others, that are fatal to the resolution under consideration. When a resolution has been adopted by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor, and has legally passed from them into the possession of another Body, or corporation, over which they have no control, in such case no power is vested in us by which we can reconsider or rescind any such act or resolution.

Such is the case with a portion of the preliminary proceedings which this resolution proposes to rescind.

After the Mayor and Common Council had taken all the proceedings required by the charter and the ordinances under it, preliminary to the construction of the Newark Avenue sewer and its tributaries, they adopted a resolution referring the matter to the Water Commissioners, to construct this sewer according to the general plan of sewerage, which resolution was approved and transmitted by the City Clerk to the President of the Board of Water Commissioners on the 26th day of June last; a similar resolution, relative to South 31 Street sewer was also transmitted to said Board, but at a different date, under the authority of the former resolution, and after ample time for due deliberation the Water Commissioners advertised for proposals for the construction of the Newark Avenue Sewer, &c., with its tributaries and the 11th of July was the time fixed for receiving said proposals. I am informed sundry proposals were received, and the execution of the work was awarded to Messrs. Calwell & Shantz, (the lowest bidders,) and you must all be aware that the contract was actually entered upon the execution of it, a work involving an expense of some twenty-five or thirty thousand dollars. If this resolution can be rescinded after the commissioners have thus acted under its authority, and contracted for the construction of the sewer, then any similar resolution authorizing the

construction of a sewer may be rescinded at any time prior to the completion of the work, even after large expenditures have been incurred under it, but no such power to rescind is vested in us. It is a settled rule that an ordinance cannot be rescinded, nor a resolution when it shall have passed beyond the control of the Body that adopted it.

I deem it unnecessary to cite the numerous authorities that sustain this rule as it is so simple and plain on its face that it will not admit of a reasonable difference of opinion.

In this connection it may not be inappropriate as having a bearing upon this subject, to advert to the very remarkable communication of the Water Commissioners dated August 11, 1856 and which appeared in your published minutes of the 19th of August last. This communication admits of no errors on the part of the Water Commissioners, but points out two they have found in the preliminary proceedings of the Common Council, and the whole tone of the communication betrays a vindictive spirit against the Mayor. They do not even suggest or request us to rescind our proceedings as this resolution proposes. And this communication is submitted to the Common Council after their own contractors were actually engaged in the work of constructing the sewer in question. In closing their remarks they say "It is not for this Board to express any opinion in the premises." I would have supposed that it would have been a pleasure to them to enlighten us upon the subject of sewers, but it seems they are unwilling even to give their own opinion upon the subject. They further say "The Water Commissioners ask the privilege of vindicating themselves, so far as they acted in the matter, from the unjust charge of the Mayor as expressed in his veto" Now the Mayor has reviewed the veto referred to, and can find nothing in it even like a charge against the Water Commissioners.

He did make one allusion to them, and that grew out of an interview which he had with the commissioners by their own appointment on the day before he wrote the veto in question. He pointed out to the commissioners present, certain informalities in their proceedings, and desired them to ask their counsel whether he considered them fatal. I never learned from them what his decision was, therefore the propriety of making the allusion, of which they complain.

With the foregoing objections and this brief history of the matter, I return the resolution for reconsideration D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Wortendyke moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was laid upon the table on motion of Ald. Insley.

The City Treasurer's report for August 1856, showing a balance of $5158 09, in the Treasury on the 1st September instant, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Sentinel, for twenty days previous to this date.

Dated Jersey City, September 1, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

JERSEY CITY, July 1st, 1856.

To the Honorable, the Mayor and common council of Jersey City.

GENTLEMEN:

The undersigned owners of three quarters of the lots fronting on South 3d street between Jersey Avenue and Monmouth street, respectfully petition your Honorable Body to cause the grade to be established between Jersey Avenue and Coles street, causing a summit on grades, rising from said Jersey Avenue and Coles street 9 inches per 100 feet. And between Coles street and Monmouth street, causing a summit on grades rising from said Coles street 9 inches per 100 feet.

Your petitioners will ever pray.

SELAH HILL,
FRANCIS R. HILL,
JAMES S. BISHOP.
HOMER RAMSDELL,
by A. B. SEYMOUR.

Notice is hereby given that an application of which the above is a copy has been presented to the Common Council of Jersey City, and that Saturday, August the 30th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M. at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, has been appointed by the said Common Council as the time and place when and where parties interested in the above application, will be heard by the committee on streets of said common council on the merits of the application By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, August 7th, 1856.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Sentinel for ten days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, September 1st 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC notice is hereby given that a petition or application, of which the following is a copy, has been presented to the Common Council of Jersey City, received, read and referred to the committee on streets and Monday the first day of September next, at 7½ o'clock P. M., at the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, has been appointed as the time and place when and where parties interested in said application, will be heard on the merits of the same, before said committee on Streets.

APPLICATION.

To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City:

The petition of the subscribers, owners of the lands fronting upon Prospect street, between South 5th and South 8th streets, in the Fourth Ward, respectfully showeth:

That they find from the improvements now being made in Prospect street under the direction of your Honorable Body, that the grade of that street is about to be so raised as not to admit of the slope or inclination from Grove to Prospect street, called for by the profile or map heretofore adopted by the city, showing the grade required between said streets, from South 5th to South 8th streets aforesaid.

Your petitioners respectfully represent that Grove street has been heretofore cut down to the grade as established by the City Surveyors and paved guttered and sidewalks laid therein, and that such grade has been sanctioned and acquiesced in by the Common Council, and all improvements have been made agreeably thereto, and that any alteration thereof would cause serious injury and no benefit. And that Prospect street between the points aforesaid, being a new street now just being constructed should be made to conform to Grove street, so that the present grades of South 5th st., South 6th st. South 7th st., and South 8th street, should not be disturbed.

And your petitioners respectfully pray that the grade of Prospect street between South 5th and South 8th sts. may now be established by your Honorable Body so as to conform to the present grade of Grove street and South 5th South 6th South 7th and South 8th streets.

J. D. MILLER,
ROB'T HUTTON,
J. VAN VORST,
August 1856. HENRY A. BOORAEM.

By order of the Common Council,
GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, August 21st, 1856.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets presented a report and the following resolution on the proposal referred to them on the 19th ultimo, of Keeney & Halladay, to regulate, &c., Bay street from Prospect to Grove street.

Resolved, That the contracts with William Keeney and John R. Halladay, executed by them, which have been reported by the Committee on streets at this meeting of the Board, for the improvement of Bay steeet between Prospect street and Grove street, including intersections on Grove street, be executed on the part of the City, by his Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk under the corporate seal of the City: that the bond presented by Keeney & Halladay on the 19th ultimo be returned to them; and that the new bond presented at this meeting be approved and filed. The report was received and adopted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke Erwin, Gardner, Insley, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb Drayton, Edge, Hoffman McComb, and Thompson.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred on the 4th ultimo, the petition of J. D. Miller and others in reference to the grade of Prospect street, between South 5th and South 8th streets, presented a favorable report, and an Ordinance, entitled, "An Ordinance to provide for changing the established grade in Prospect street, from one hundred and twenty-five feet south of South 5th street to one hundred and twenty five feet north of South 8th street. The report was received, and the ordinance was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 21st ultimo, the petition of George Stratford, and others, to have South 7th street, between Monmouth and Brunswick streets, regulated, graded, &c., presented a report, setting forth that there is an ordinance for the said improvement before the Board. The report was received and adopted.

The committee on streets returned the communication of Hiram D. Crane, referred to them on the 21st ultimo, and recommended that it be referred to the committee on Assessments. The report was received, and the communication referred to the committee on Assessments.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the rules were suspended, so as to allow the auditing of claims presented at this meeting, and the claims of the Watch Department $676 89, and William Sanderson $25 00, presented in the early part of the meeting, and referred to their appropriate committees were reported correct and ordered paid

A claim of I. B & D. E. Culver, amounting to $17 00 for surveying for the improvement of Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue and one hundred feet of North Sixth street, was presented in the early part of this meeting, referred to the Committee on streets, subsequently reported correct and then referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Brinkerhoff & Son $8 00: S. Billington $15 00 James M. Newkirk $3 21: and James M. Newkirk $3 21.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Tuesday, the 9th instant at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Ald. Wilson offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the committee of Health, be instructed to give public notice that no vessels, that shall pass the New York Quarantine between the 28th day of August, 1856, and the 15th day of October next, will be allowed to come within 300 yards of the Wharves of Jersey City, until after she shall have been boarded by the Committee on Health, or one of the City Physicians, and the master of such vessel shall have first obtained from them or either of them, a certificate that they have a clean Bill of Health and there is no sickness on board. And the committee is hereby instructed to enforce the above regulation until the 15th day of October next.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday Sept. 9th 1856. 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—The President and Ald. Drayton Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Gardner, and Thompson.

The City Clerk being absent, Ald. Wortendyke was appointed City Clerk pro tempore.

A petition of Richard I. Baile and others asking for the removal of a nuisance at the corner of Van Vorst and Sussex streets was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A communication from A. W. Van Winkle and others on behalf of Engine Company No. 8. complaining of divers injuries and grievances against said company, committed by the members of Hudson Hose Company No. 1. stating charges and asking an investigation was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

A Petition of R. N Perlee and others complaining of injuries to individuals and to the city arising from the want of a general assessment map and asking that a proper assessment map be made for the use of City Assessors, &c., was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition from the Paterson and New York Plank Road Company, asking for permission to erect a guide post inside of the curb at the north west corner of Grove street and Newark Avenue, and also one at the north-west corner of Pavonia Avenue and Grove street was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Peter Dolan for $18 00

Ald. Tyrrell moved that said claim be referred to a special committee of three to be appointed by the Chair. Agreed to.

Ald. Drayton moved that the vote by which the last motion was agreed to be reconsidered. Lost.

The President thereupon appointed Ald. Tyrrell Edge and Clark as such special Committee.

Of Isaac Wakefield $12 00, and Patrick Farrell $5 25. Referred to Committee on Arms

Of E. D. Riley. $21 61¼ cts. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

A communication from the Comptroller setting forth an indebtedness to the City by David Scott was received and referred to the City Attorney with directions to collect said claims.

Reports were received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department announcing certain elections, resignations and expulsions in that Department viz:

Election of Peter Houghtailing by "Liberty Engine Co, No. 1

Of Michael Reynolds, Peyon Donnelly and Thomas Woolley, by "Arreseoh Fire Company, No. 2.

Of Thomas Leather, by "Americus Hook and Ladder Co., No. 2.

Of William Cooper, by "Diligent Hose Co., No. 3."

Resignation of Jasper Wandle from "Liberty Engine Co., No. 1.

Of James Ayres from "Protection Engine Co., No. 1."

Expulsion of William H. Lee from "Liberty Engine Co., No. 1."

Of Joseph Gubbins and Edward Wheelan from "Arreseoh Engine Co., No. 2. Ordered, that the said elections be approved and the usual certificates

of membership be granted to the persons elected; and that the names of the said expelled members be stricken from the roll of the Fire Department and that proper entries of said resignations be made.

The committee on Fire and Water to whom was referred on the 1st of July last a communication from James Wallace, Assistant Engineer of Fire Department preferring charges against James Wallace, made a verbal report, and asked leave to return said communication to the Board, and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Report received, the communication returned, and the committee discharged from its further consideration.

The committee on Sewers presented a communication from the City Attorney to said committee, on the subject of preliminary proceedings for the construction of sewers

Ordered, That the said communication be read.

The same having been read it was further ordered that it be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The following claims reported correct by the committee on Streets, were referred to the com. on Assessments to be assessed.

Of I. R. & D. E. Culver, $23 00. John R. Halladay, $875 89.

The following claims and accounts heretofore referred to their appropriate committees, were reported correct and ordered to be paid:

Of Wm. Eaton $30 00. Isaac Wakefield, $10 01. Hugh Billingsley, $27 00. H. A. Miller & Co., $73 28. H. A. Miller & Co., $10 67. H. A. Miller & Co., $72 80 H. A. Miller & Co., $10 38. H. A. Miller & Co., $ 88 H. A. Miller & Co., $12 82. J. F. Richardson $32 J. F. Richardson, $24 50. Samuel H. Mary, $8 00. R. B. Kashow, $2 72. R. B. Kashow, $1 04. R. B. Kashow $2 00. R. B Earle & Co., $24 67. A. F. Burlen, $8 38. Henry P. Robertson, $5 50. John Perrine, $56 50.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved That the City Attorney be instructed to procure at the expense of the city, for the use of this Board, a certified copy of any maps, drafts and other matters of record, designating the location, boundaries and extent of the Public Square or Park in the Fourth Ward, commonly called Hamilton Square.

Ald. Insley offered the following resolution, which was laid upon the table:

Resolved That the committee on Police and Licenses be directed to report to this Board at its next meeting upon the charges preferred against Chief of Police Farley.

Ald Drayton offered the following:

Whereas, In the notice of sales now published for the sale of lands for arrears of Water Rents is included lot 2 assessors map or 39 Mangin's map in block 5 Hudson street, west side assessed to Henry Drayton, and it being alleged that the water rent for said lot is paid and a receipt given therefor,

Therefore Resolved, That it be referred to the com. on Finance to inquire whether said rent is paid, and report such matter thereon as to them may seem proper.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the ordinance presented on the 2d inst. entitled "An ordinance to provide for changing the established grade in Prospect street from one hundred and twenty-five feet south of South Fifth street to one hundred and twenty-five feet north of South Eighth street, was taken up for consideration.

The same having been read, it was again on motion laid upon the table.

(Ald. Edge, on leave, retired.)

On motion of Ald. Thurston the ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for regulating grading and paving the laying of side walks four feet wide, where they are not already laid, and bridge stone crossings at the intersections and for curbing and guttering South Sixth street from Prospect street to Newark Avenue, except such parts of the same as is under contract from Erie street to Jersey Avenue," which was presented August 5 ult., was taken from the table.

Ald. Hoffman moved to strike out from the ordinance the words "between Prospect street and Newark Avenue." Lost

The ordinance was further considered and amended, and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nay—Ald. Hoffman.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Thompson.

On motion of Ald. Tilden it was

Resolved, That the committee on Watch be associated with the committee on Police and Licenses until further orders of this Board.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade Grove street from Pavonia Avenue to the Mill Creek," laid upon the table July 1st, 1856, was taken up for consideration.

The ordinance was read, considered and passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Thompson.

The Board then adjourned.

J. R. WORTENDYKE, Clerk, pro tem.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber September 18th, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—The President and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tyrrell, Thurston, Tilden and Wortendyke.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

The City Clerk being absent, Ald. Wortendyke was appointed City Clerk pro tempore.

The minutes of the meetings of the Board held on the 2d instant and on the 9th instant, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Luther S. Maxim, to be appointed a City Watchman. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Louis F. La Fay, to be appointed a Policeman. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Owen McCue, for license to keep an Inn and Tavern. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Joseph M. Brown and others to have York street between Jersey and Barrow streets, properly lighted.

Referred to committee on Lamps.

Remonstrance of Charles J. Smith and others against the filling, paving &c, of Steuben street until the proposed sewer shall have been laid through said street.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Communication from John Post in reference to the main sewer in Newark Avenue, &c., asking the Common Council to proceed with said improvement and representing injuries to health and property, caused by delaying said work. Referred to committee on Sewers.

Communication from P. D. Vroom, representing danger to life and limb from a decayed tree and its branches near the Thatched Cottage in Essex street. Referred to committee on Streets.

Claims and accounts were presented and disposed of as follows.

Of Nathaniel Ellis $125 00. Referred to committee on Salaries, offices and Elections.

Of James McDonald, $4 00. Referred to committee on Lamps.

Of R. A. Randall $15 75; A. A. Rice $45 00; Frederick Perrett $33 25; to Fred'k Perrett $7 95. Referred to committee on Fire and Water.

Of Quaife & Otley, $20 00. Referred to committee on Assessments.

Requisitions from the Board of Education for payment of the following claims were presented, and warrants for the several amounts certified due, were ordered to be drawn in favor of the parties respectively named

David Easton $32 97; Samuel Ashcroft $8 34; John B. Haight $3 18; David Easton $25 85; Rea & Pollock $1 24; and John Pringle $16 00.

The Chairman of the Committee on Fire and water to whom were referred for investigation on the 9th inst., certain complaints against Hudson Hose Co. No. 1, verbally reported progress in said investigation. Report received

The Committee on Police and Licenses to whom was referred on the 26th August ult., a claim of Geo. W. Downing for $7 50; reported verbally that said claim is chargeable to the County, and that they ask leave to return said claim, and to be discharged from its further consideration.

Report received and said claim ordered to be returned and the committee discharged.

The Clerk reported due publication for the required time of the following notices viz:

"Notice of application to have Steuben street from Prospect street to the west side of Green street, filled to grade, &c."

"Notice of conformation of assessment for regulating, paving, &c., Jersey street, from Mercer street to Grand street, including intersections."

"Notice of application to have South Seventh street, between Monmouth and Brunswick streets, regulated, graded &c.

"Notice of application to have Morgan street from Grove street to the west side of Green street filled to the grade, paved, &c." Reports received, and ordered filed.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent be added for collector's fees to the amount of the assessment for regulating Mercer st., between Greene and Washington sts, and that said assessment be confirmed.

Which resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Wilson.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That one and one-half per cent be added for collector's fees to the amount of the assessment for regulating, paving, curbing and guttering, &c., Jersey street, from Mercer st to Grand st., and that said assessment be confirmed.

Which resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Wilson.

Ald Thompson, chairman of the Committee on Assessments, returned the claim of Wm. Moore, referred to said committee for assessment July 1st, 1856, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William Moore for forty-one 25 100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending work on Mercer st, between Greene and Washington sts, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Which resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken

Yeas—The President and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Cobb and Wilson

Ald. Thompson, chairman of the com. on assessments returned the claim of I. B. & D. E. Culver, referred to said committee for assessment July 1, 1856, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued under the direction of the committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver, Surveyors, for eighteen 72--100 Dollars, being the amount of his bill for making map and survey of Mercer street, between Green and Washington streets, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the city thereto.

Which resolution was passed by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson, chairman of the Com. on assessments returned the claim of John Hedden, referred to said Committee on the 1st. July last, for assessment, and offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be

issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of John Hedden for one thousand and forty-two 96-100 dollars being the amount of his bill for regulating Mercer street between Green and Washington, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

Which resolution was adopted by the following vote and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wortendyk

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, and Wilson.

The committee on assessments to whom was referred on the 9th Sept. inst., the petition of R. N. Perle and others in relation to assessor's maps &c., reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners.

Report received and adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

In view of the great embarrassment and difficulty our assessors and tax payers are annually subjected to in consequence of our not having a correct and reliable assessment map, therefore

Resolved, that the committee on assessments in connection with his Honor the Mayor be and are hereby authorized without delay to take such steps as they may deem necessary and proper to provide the city with a full, correct and reliable assessment map.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 28th of August last, the petition of Thomas B. Decker reported, and in their report recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and that the following resolution be adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for twenty-seven dollars and thirty six cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Thomas B. Decker, to refund to him the amount paid on the 31st of May 1856, by him to redeem his lot in South Third street, sold on the 1st June 1854 for assessment for regulating Jersey Avenue between South Second street and Newark Avenue, he having previously paid to the collector of assessments, the bill made out and presented by that officer, but which it appears covered another lot than Thomas B Decker's.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on Police and Licenses, to whom was referred on the 19th August ast, a communication from Charles J Farley, in reference to charges against him for attempting to and &c., presented a report, embodying charges against said Farley, and recommending that said Farley be dismissed from office. Also a statement annexed to said report.

The report and statement were received and filed.

Ald. Insley moved that the recommendation contained in said report be adopted.

Pending the consideration of said motion, it was moved to lay the said matter on the table for the present.

Agreed to.

The following claims referred to Committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid.

Of P. W. Griffing, $2 00; Patrick Farrel, $5 25; H. A. Miller & Co., $0 91; John A. Topping, $1 00 Geo. W. Cassel, $2 56; Edwd D. Riley, $21 61¼; R. B. Kashow, $2 39; R. B. Kashow, $2 63; R. B. Kashow $2 16; R. B. Kashow, $1 42; R. B. Kashow $1 80; Isaac Wakefield $12 00; J. F. Richardson $8 00; James Wallace $4 00.

Under a suspension of the rules the following bills presented and referred at this meeting of the Board were reported correct by the appropriate committees and ordered to be paid.

Of James M. Donald $54 00; Nathaniel Ellis $125.

Ald. Tyrrell offered the following resolution which was adpoted

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Finance Committee for forty dollars to defray the expenses of advertising in the New York Papers for Loan of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be and are hereby authorized to borrow not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars for the use of the city in anticipation of Taxes, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to execute City Bonds to said amount, in such sums as the committee may be able to borrow.

Which resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None.

Absent Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

Ald Hoffman offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved That the City Attorney be requested to prepare an ordinance to prevent the sale of coal by short weight.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the ordinance entitled "an ordinance to provide for changing the established grade in Presidents street from one hundred and twenty-five feet south of South Fifth street, to one hundred and twenty five feet north of South Eighth street" was taken from the table for consideration; and the same having been read and considered was passed by the following vote ayes and nays having been ordered and taken:

Ayes—The President and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wortendyke.

Nays—None

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

On motion the Board then proceeded to the election of a Chief of Police.

Ald. Drayton and Gardner were appointed and acted as tellers.

Six ballotings were had with the following results:

First Ballot.		
John H. Lowe	received	5 votes.
Thos. B. Kissam	"	4 "
Philo Snow	"	1 "
J. B. Davis	"	1 "
Benjn. Haines	"	2 "
Blank	"	1 "
Second Ballot.		
John H Lowe	received	3 votes.
Thos. B Kissam	"	5 "
J. B. Davis	"	2 "
Benjn. Haines	"	3 "
C. J. Farley	"	1 "
Third Ballot.		
John H Lowe	received	3 votes.
Thos. B Kissam	"	7 "
Philo Snow	"	1 "
Benjn. Haines	"	3 "
Fourth Ballot.		
John H. Lowe	received	3 votes
Thos B Kissam	"	7 "
Benj. Haines	"	4 "
Fifth Ballot.		
John H. Lowe	received	3 votes
Thos. B. Kissam	"	7 "
Benj. Haines	"	4 "
Sixth Ballot.		
John H Lowe	received	4 votes
Thomas B. Kissam	"	9 "
Benj. Haines	"	1 "

Whereupon Thomas B. Kissam was declared duly elected Chief of Police, having received nine votes.

On motion of Ald. Insley the Board then proceed-

ed to ballot for one of the Aids in the Police Department. (Ald. Drayton and Gardner, tellers)

James C. Smith	received	1 vote
Benj. Haines	"	9 "
John Ayres	"	3 "
Philo Snow	"	1 "

Whereupon Benjamin Haines was declared duly elected having received nine votes.

On motion of Ald Insley the Board then proceeded to the appointment of the other Aid in said Department.

Eleven ballottings were had (Ald. Drayton and Gardner tellers) with the following results:

First Ballot.

Jarvis L Ayres	received	3 votes.
John Ayres	"	5 "
A. Van Riper	"	2 "
Michael McLaughlin	"	3 "
Stacy P. Fine	"	1 "

Second Ballot.

Jarvis L Ayres	received	2 votes.
John Ayres	"	8 "
A. Van Riper	"	3 "
Michael McLaughlin	"	1 "

Third Ballot.

Jarvis L. Ayres	received	3 votes.
John Ayres	"	8 "
A. Van Riper	"	3 "

Fourth Ballot.

Jarvis L Ayres	received	5 votes.
John Ayres	"	8 "
Blank	"	1 "

Fifth Ballot.

Jarvis L Ayres	received	6 votes.
John Ayres	"	8 "

Sixth Ballot.

Jarvis L Ayres	received	7 votes.
John Ayres	"	4 "
S. W. Treadwell	"	1 "
Blank	"	2 "

Seventh Ballot.

Jarvis L Ayres	received	6 votes.
John Ayres	"	6 "
J. C Massaker	"	1 "
Blank	"	1 "

Eighth Ballot.

Jarvis L. Ayres	received	5 votes.
John Ayres	"	7 "
Blank	"	2 "

Ninth Ballot.

Jarvis L. Ayres	received	6 votes.
John Ayres	"	8 "

Tenth Ballot.

Jarvis L Ayres	received	3 votes.
John Ayres	"	8 "
A. Van Riper	"	3 "

Eleventh Ballot.

Jarvis L. Ayres	received	2 votes.
John Ayres	"	9 "
A Van Riper	"	3 "

Whereupon John Ayres was declared duly appointed an Aid, he having received nine votes.

The rules requiring a balloting were suspended and the following persons were viva voce appointed Policemen from the Second Ward:

Stephen W. Treadwell, John Murphy, Martin Ward, John G Carroll James Groves.

The rules requiring balloting were again suspended, and the following persons were viva voce appointed Police e from the First Ward:

Jonathan H. Baldwin William Reen, James McDonald Walter Lane Charles Graham.

On motion the Board then proceeded to ballot for five Policemen from the Third Ward.

Ten ballottings were had with the following results, (same tellers):

First Ballot.

James C Smith	received	13 votes.
Michael McLaughlin	"	8 "
Danl McNamara	"	7 "
Jarvis L Ayres	"	13 "
L. W. Towle	"	13 "
Wm. D Sloan	received	4 votes.
A. J. Baum	"	4 "
Blank	"	1 "

Whereupon James C. Smith, Jarvis L. Ayres and Levi W. Towle were declared duly appointed Policemen, each having received more than nine concurring votes.

Second Ballot.

Daniel McNamara	received	7 votes.
M McLaughlin	"	8 "
Wm. D. Sloan	"	4 "
Blank	"	1 "

Third Ballot.

Daniel McNamara	received	7 votes.
M McLaughlin	"	7 "
Wm. D. Sloan	"	3 "
A. J. Baum	"	4 "
Blank	"	3 "

14 Ballots were cast.

Ald. Thurston moved that the remaining two Policemen to be appointed, for the Third Ward, be appointed one at a time. Agreed to.

Fourth Ballot

Dan'l McNamara	received	4 votes
M. McLaughlin	"	3 "
A. J. Baum	"	5 "

Fifth Ballot.

Daniel McNamara	received	9 votes
A. J. Baum	"	4 "
Blank	"	1 "

Daniel McNamara having received nine votes was declared duly elected Policeman.

Sixth Ballot.

M McLaughlin	received	8 votes
A J Baum	"	4 "
Blank	"	2 "

Seventh Ballot

M. McLaughlin	received	7 votes
A J. Baum	"	6 "
Blank	"	1 "

Eigth Ballot

M. McLaughlin	received	8 votes
A. J. Baum	"	5 "
Blank	"	1 "

Ninth Ballot

M. McLaughlin	received	7 votes
A. J. Baum	"	8 "

Tenth Ballot

M McLaughlin	received	3 votes
Augustus J Baum	"	10 "
Blank	"	1 "

Whereupon Augustus J. Baum was declared duly appointed Policeman, having received ten votes.

The Board then proceeded to ballot for five Policemen from the Fourth Ward with the following result (same tellers.)

First Ballot

Henry Paynton	received	10 votes
John Cadugan	"	10 "
John A. Topping	"	4 "
Romaine	"	3 "
Warren	"	4 "
Stacy B Fine	"	7 "
Abm. Van Riper	"	8 "
H. P. Robertson	"	8 "
David Babbington	received	2 votes.
Remsford H. Bennet	"	1 "

Whereupon Henry Paynton and John Cadugan were declared duly appointed Policemen, each having received ten votes.

Second Ballot.

John A. Topping	received	3 votes.
Romaine	"	3 "
Warren	"	1 "
Stacy B. Fine	"	10 "
David Babbington	"	8 "
Ab'm Van Riper	"	10 "
H. P. Robertson	"	5 "
Remsford H. Bennett	"	1 "
Seeley	"	2 "

Whereupon Stacey B. Fine and Abraham Van Ri-

per were declared duly appointed Policemen, each having received ten votes.

Third Ballot.

Henry P. Robertson	received	6 votes.
David Babbington	"	7 "
Blank	"	1 "

Fourth Ballot.

Henry P. Robertson	received	7 "
David Babbington	"	7 "

Fifth Ballot.

Henry P. Robertson	received	5 "
David Babbington	"	9 "

Whereupon David Babbington was declared duly appointed Policeman.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the Board then proceeded to ballot for a collector of arrears of taxes.

Ald. Tyrrell and McComb, tellers.

George E. Cutter	received	6 votes.
Luke C. Lyman	"	2 "
Wm. C. Morris	"	2 "
R. R. Rappleyea	"	3 "
J. C. Morgan	"	1 "

On motion of Ald. Thompson, the Board then adjourned.

J. R. VORTENDYKE,
City Clerk pro tem.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, October 7th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Erwin, Gardner, Tyrrell, and Wortendyke

The minutes of the previous regular meeting held on the 6th ultimo were read.

Ald. Edge offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the minutes of the regular meeting of the 16th ultimo be amended by the insertion of the following words and figures, immediately after that portion of said minutes which gives a list of credited claims, presented at previous meetings of the Common Council, viz:

"A claim of E. N. Cleveland, amounting to $11.25 for superintending improvements on Wayne street from Jersey st to two hundred feet west of Putnam street, was presented, referred to Committee on streets subsequently reported correct and then referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

The following claims referred to the Committee on streets on the second of September instant were reported correct and then referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed, viz:

Of J. M. Leonard, $51 25, for superintending work on South Sixth street: J. M. Leonard, $23 75, for superintending work on South First street, and J. M. Leonard, $25 00 for superintending work on Prospect street, north of Pavonia Avenue.

The minutes as amended were then approved.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Communication from John A. Topping, respecting statements made in the Common Council, derogatory to his character. Laid on the table.

Communication from Daniel Crane, in reference to his grievances against the Morris Canal Company. Ref to Com. on Public Health.

Petition of Philip Connor and others, to have public lamps erected at various points on Rail Road Avenue. Ref. to Com. on Lamps.

Petition of Stephen W. Treadwell, to be remunerated for expenses incurred by him in taking prisoners from Jersey City to the Hudson County Jail. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses

Communication from J. V. Thurston, charging Peter Dolan, Pound Keeper of the Fourth Ward, with attempting to extort illegal fees. Ref to Com. on Salaries, Offices, and Elections.

Claims and accounts were presented received and disposed of as follows:

Of E. C. Pratt, surviving partner of Luther A. Pratt & Co., $6.00. Ref. to com. on assessments.

Of assessment for regulation of Jersey street from Mercer street to Grand street, $816.95. Ref to com on Finance

Of J. H. Vonsy, $50 00; and E. C. Pratt, surviving partner of Luther A. Pratt & Co, $125 00. Ref to com on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Charles N. Betts, $21 13; Drayton & Durant, $51 21; Hugh Reilly, $31 75; and James M. Newkirk, $3.21 Ref. to com. on Alms.

Of William A. Cumming, $7576.73; Perrine & Chilver, $6 00; Perrine & Chilver, $1.25; Perrine & Chilver, $1.50; Perrine & Chilver, $3 00; Perrine & Chilver, $1.25; and E. Coles, $7.00. Ref to com. on Streets.

Of Perrine & Chilver, $5.25; Perrine & Chilver, $75 23; and Perrine & Chilver, $4.91. Ref to com. on Sewers.

Of S. W. Treadwell, $30.00; James Smith, $5.22; and James C. Smith, $29 62. Ref to com. on Police and Licenses.

Of S. W Treadwell, $9 50; and Hiram Gilbert, $25.00. Ref to com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of H. A. Miller & Co, $112.33; H. A. Miller & Co, $81.06; R. & J. McLaughlin, $66.63; W. W. Lee, $83.09; W. Eaton, $20 50; J. F. Richardson, $15.25; H. Billingsley, $28.00; J. F. Richardson, $32.00; W. W. Lee, $9.99; and J. F. Richardson, $15 50 Ref to com. on Lamps.

Of M. J. Smith, $2.00; A. B. Reynolds, $9.46; R. & J. McLaughlin, $10.50; Frederick Perret, $33.26; John Marshall, $12.00; and Marshall & Morris, $82.01. Ref. to com. on Fire and Water.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received, and referred to the committee on Police and Licenses:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Sept. 2, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have this day suspended from duty Martin Ward, one of the city Policemen, for neglect of duty. The charge preferred against him is of a character that demands a proper investigation; therefore, refer the matter to you for examination, in compliance with the requirements of the city charter.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

STATION HOUSE, Oct. 6, 1856.

To his Hon. Mayor Manners:

Dear Sir.—You will please find below a charge against Policeman Martin Ward for neglect in rendering assistance, by which neglect Policeman James Groves was injured, and his clothes torn; the facts as they come before me are as follows: Groves was on duty on Warren street, when he was assaulted by one Brennan. He called for assistance, when Martin Ward came up, and instead of assisting, left and ran to Montgomery street, raping his club, all of which time the parties were kicking and abusing Groves, and he did not get relief until another officer came to his assistance, and some of the parties were arrested.

Respectfully Yours,
THOS B. KISSAM, Chief of Police.

To HON. D. S. MANNERS.

The report of the Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures for the quarter ending September 30, 1856, was presented, received, ordered to be published in the corporation paper, and to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The official bond of Thomas B. Kissam, as chief of Police, (executed by Joseph Kissam and Rufus Kissam as sureties) with a certificate of its correctness signed by the corporation attorney, endorsed thereon, was presented, approved and ordered filed.

The resignation of Benjamin Haines as a constable, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication from Edward Coles, a city Surveyor, in reference to the necessity of placing proper monuments in different parts of the city as a guide in future to the Surveyors in the location and improving the streets and the location of lots was presented and referred to the committee on Streets.

A communication from the Board of Education, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received, and warrants were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer, conformably to the requisitions contained in said communication.

To the Hon. the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a special meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office on Friday evening, October 3, 1856 it was

Resolved, That a requisition be made upon the Common Council for twenty-one hundred and forty-seven dollars and eight cents (2147 08) for salaries of Teachers of the Public Schools, for the quarter ending the 31st of the current month, the warrant to be drawn in favor of the Finance Committee of this Board

It was also Resolved, That a requisition be made upon the Common Council for the sum of fifty dollars ($50) to be accounted for hereafter; the same being to meet a deficiency in the last payment to teachers, and for the payment of small sums for labor cleaning, &c. &c., the warrant to be drawn in favor of the Finance Committee of this Board.

It was also Resolved, That a requisition be made

upon the Common Council in favor of Messrs. C. Shepherd & Co., for one hundred and twenty one dollars, eighty two cents ($121.82, for bills for books &c., furnished Public Schools.

The above resolutions were passed by the votes of all the members of the Board of Education present, the yeas and nays having been taken

Oct. 6 1856. P. D. VROOM Clerk.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

OFFICE OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS,
JERSEY CITY Oct. 7, 1856.

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

GENTLEMEN:—The Water Commissioners deeming the contents of the communication from their Chief Engineer, presented to them at their last meeting, of importance to your honorable body, I have been directed by them to transmit it to you.

Not having heard from you on the subject of building sewers since our last communication to you, this Board has felt itself without authority to proceed with the construction of any sewers.

By order of the Board.

D. S. GREGORY, President.

SUP'T & ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Oct. 6th, 1856.

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

Gentlemen:—I beg leave to call your attention to the subject of sewerage, and particularly to the present position and future prosecution of those sewers contemplated to be built during the present year.

The delay occasioned by not receiving instructions from the Common Council, has caused the loss of two or three of the most favorable working months of the year, and the season is now so far advanced that even if the work were commenced without further delay but a short time would elapse before it would be found necessary to abandon it.

At this season of the year the difficulty and expense of building sewers would be considerably increased by the prevalence of a large quantity of water in the ground, and the shortness of the days; and the approach of cold weather would render it not only expensive, but imprudent to attempt such work.

In the Croton Department of New York, it is made a standing rule not to allow any sewers to be built after the 15th of November; for, although it often happens that the weather is suitable for laying bricks after that time, the risk is considered so great, that it has been deemed advisable to fix that period for the suspension of work.

It will be seen, therefore, that if your Board felt authorized in proceeding with the work, without further instructions, the time is too short to accomplish much this season, and as the whole success of the present plan of sewerage depends upon an adequate supply of water for flushing, it would be worse than useless to build a short section of sewer, and allow it to stand over winter, with the expectation that the natural flow will keep it clean.

It therefore appears necessary, that the matter of building sewers should be left until another season, and it is to be hoped, that in the meantime, the great necessity of this work, seen and acknowledged by all, may bring about a concert of action, and an agreement as to the proper means of accomplishing the object.

Respectfully yours,

GEO. H. BAILEY,
Sup't & Eng'r Water Works.

The Committee on Fire and Water return the claim of Frederick Porrett amounting to $7.95, referred to them on the 16th ultimo, and the same was referred to the Committee on streets.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred on the 9th ultimo the petition of the Paterson and New-York Plank Road company for permission to erect guide posts, presented a report recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred on the 19th August last, the petition of J. Wilson and others to have a sewer constructed in Newark Avenue between Warren and Henderson streets, either of a temporary or permanent character, presented a report in favor of the construction of a temporary sewer, and recommending that the subject be referred to the Corporation Attorney with instructions to prepare and present to the Common Council at its next regular meeting an ordinance providing for the construction of such temporary sewer. The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Police and Licenses reported as correct the Recorder's report for the quarter ending, July 31st 1856, referred to them on the 19th August last.

The report of the Committee was received, and with the Recorder's report was ordered filed.

On motion of Ald Hoffman it was

Resolved, That a warrant for one hundred and sixty-five dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Frederick Porrett to pay him for building Hose Carriage No. 2, due under a contract made with him by the Committee on Fire and Water.

The Committee on Watch returned sundry applications for Watchmen's appointments referred to said Committee at former meetings of the Board.

The applications were received, and the City Clerk authorized to return the said petitions to any of the applicants who may apply for them.

Resolutions were presented, and disposed of as follows:

By Ald. Clarke, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, be, and is hereby authorized to purchase a lot in the Fourth Ward, for use of Hook & Ladder Co. No 2.

By Ald. McComb, and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for nineteen dollars and fifty cents, be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of the New Amsterdam Fire Insurance Company of the City of New York, for premium on renewal of policy of insurance on the Fourth Ward Public School House, insured under policy No. 8 71. Said renewal being from September 14th 1856, until the 14th September, 1857 at noon

By Ald. Cobb and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby authorized to return to Adolphus S. Gilbert the declaration of sale of lot 21 Grove st. in block 127, made to him as the purchaser of said lot at the Corporation sale of May 20th, 1852, for taxes of 1851. Said declaration of sale having been presented to the Common Council of Jersey City, on the 18th June, 1854, by said purchaser, with a request for a lease, a deed or lease having been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, in pursuance of an order of the Common Council, and having been ordered to be executed—but which was not executed for the reason that His Honor, the Mayor, deemed the declaration of sale a sufficient lease without the issuing of any other paper; and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to destroy the the lease ordered by the Common Council, the same being unexecuted.

By Ald. Insley and adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to report to this Board at its next meeting, the names, if any, of all persons who have taken out licenses for hacks or omnibusses, or to keep Inns and taverns. Also, the names of all persons to whom licens to keep Inns and Taverns were granted, but who have not taken out such license.

By Ald. Thompson and adopted

Resolved That the committee appointed last year to revise our city charter be requested to make a report to this board at its next meeting or as soon thereafter as they may find it convenient.

On motion of Ald. Edge the rule requiring a ballotting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce a Clerk for the Second Ward: whereupon a motion of Ald. Edge, Edward D. Reilly was appointed to the office.

The Committee on streets reported as correct, the following claims referred to them on the 2d ultimo, and the claims were referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed, viz:

Of John R. Halladay, $116.33, for work and materials in repairing public streets; and John R Halladay $29.93, for repairing intersections at the corner of Grove and South 1st streets, &c.,

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of R. A. Randall $15.75; A A. Rice, $45.00; Joseph Shipley, $45 50; Quaife & Otley, $20 00: Woolsey & Woolsey $105.43: James Wallace $5 00; A. Clerk & Co $49.74; and A. Clerk & Co., $11.40.

The following claims and accounts, were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees; the rules suspended to enable the Board to audit the claims; the claims were then reported correct, and ordered paid.

Of Watch Department, $598 82; Nathaniel Ellis, $38 66; R. and J. McLaughlin, $64 13; Charles T. Gardner, $47 72; and G W. Cassidy, $13 60.

On motion of Ald Insley, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again on Tuesday next, the 14th inst at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at the Common Council Chamber.

On motion of Ald. Edge the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned Regular Meeting, at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, October 14th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Gardner, Hoffman and Wortendyke.

A petition of Daniel Soule and Evan Jones to have South Second street between the easterly line of Monmouth street and the northerly line of Newark Avenue filled in, and brought to the established grade Ref. to the com. on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of G. Cooper, $24.25. Ref. to com on Police and Licenses.

Of William Coleman, $10.25. Ref to com. on sewers.

Of Patrick Kelly, $5 72; and E. C Pratt, $42.75. Ref to com on Finance

Of Alexander Love, $4.62. Ref to com. on Public Health.

Of William Coleman. $42.30, and $9.00. Ref to com on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The City Clerk, in answer to the resolution of the 7th instant instructing him to do so, presented a report of the names of persons to whom licenses to keep Inns and Taverns, have been granted during the present corporation year, the names of those who have taken out such licenses, &c. Report received and ordered to be published.

Ald. Insley moved,

"That the Chief of Police be directed to enter complaints, or cause complaints to be entered against all persons found violating the ordinances licensing Inns and Taverns, Omnibusses and Hacks, and any other of the city ordinances.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken: on the call of Ald Insley, Tyrrell and McComb.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nay—Ald. Clarke.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Gardner, Hoffman and Wortendyke.

The City Clerk presented a report of the vacancies existing in different offices under the city charter.

Report received, and laid upon the table temporarily.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the election of Jackson Shaffer as a member of Fire Engine Company, No 1, the expulsion of Robert Boorman from Fire Engine Company, No. 4, the elections of John Sheridan, Michael Kennedy, and Frederick Scott by Fire Engine Company No. 4 accompanied by a communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, stating that Mr Scott was formerly expelled from the Department, &c.

Communications received, the elections (with the exception of Frederick Scott's) approved, the names of the expelled members ordered to be stricken from the roll of the Fire Department, and the case of Frederick Scott referred to the committee on Fire and Water for investigation

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, endorsing the following nominations by the Board of Trustees of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund Association for Fire Wardens, viz:

William Coleman for the First Ward

William Bumstead, Senior, for the Third Ward.

The communication was received and laid upon the table.

A communication was presented from the Chief of Police, stating that Stephen W. Treadwell, Policeman, was not yet qualified for the office occasioning an inconvenience, &c., to the Police Department.

Communication received and laid upon the table.

The committee on Police and Licenses and Watch, to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the charge against Martin Ward, Policeman, for neglect of duty, presented a report setting forth that they find the charge sustained, and recommending that he be dismissed from the Police Department."

The report was received.

Ald. Tilden moved

"That Martin Ward be dismissed from the Police Department.

Ald. Insley moved to amend the motion so as to read,

"That Martin Ward be suspended from duty as a Policeman for two weeks."

The motion to amend was rejected.

Ald. Thurston moved

"That the consideration of the motion of Ald. Tilden be postponed until the next meeting of the Common Council."

The motion to postpone was rejected.

Ald. Tilden's motion was not adopted, the vote being as follows, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Ald. Insley, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, McComb, Thompson and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Gardner, Hoffman and Wortendyke.

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of Edward Coles, to have monuments located in different parts of the city as a guide to City Surveyors, presented a report recommending that a Special Committee be appointed to locate monuments as asked for in the petition, with authority to employ at least three City Surveyors to assist the Special Committee. Report received, and its recommendation adopted.

Ald. McComb, Drayton, and Thompson, were appointed such Committee.

Ald. Thurston was appointed, but asked to be, and was excused, from serving on the Committee

The Com. on Salaries, offices and elections, to whom was referred on the 7th inst., the charge against Peter Dolan, of attempting to extort illegal fees, presented a report, stating that they find the charge sustained, and recommending that he be removed from his office. The report was received.

Ald. Erwin moved

"That Peter Dolan be dismissed from the office of

Pound Keeper for attempting to extort illega fees.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas.—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays.—None.

Absent.—Ald. Cobb, Gardner, Hoffman, and Wortendyke.

The com. on assessments to whom was referred on the 7th inst.. the claim of John R. Halladay for $116 88, (No. 8204) reported the same back.

The claim was then referred to the com. on streets for correction, was reported correct for $109.11, and that amount ordered paid.

The com. on assessments reported back John R. Halladay's claim for $29.93, (No. 8206) referred to them on the 7th instant. and the claim was ordered paid.

Ald. Insley asked to have two Aldermen associated with him for this evening to examine claims against the Alms Department, his colleague on the Alms committee being absent.

Ald. Thompson and Edge were appointed.

The following claims and accounts referred to committee at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Hugh Reilly, $31.75 ; Charles N. Betts, $21.13 ; Drayton & Durant, $11.21 ; James C. Smith, $5.22 ; James C. Smith, $29.62 ; Hiram Gilbert $25·00 ; Perrine & Chilver, $8.00 ; Perrine & Chilver, $1 25 ; Frederick Porrett, $7.95 ; Perrine & Chilver, $6.00 ; Perrine & Chilver $1.25 ; Perrine & Chilver, $1.50 ; Wm. W. Lee, $163.31 ; E C. Pratt, surviving partner of L. A. Pratt & Co., $6.00 ; Perrine & Chilver, $4.91 ; Perrine & Chilver, $75 23 ; Perrine & Chilver, $5.25 ; William Eaton, $20.50 ; J. H Vondy, $50.00 ; H. A. Miller & Co., $112 83 ; J. F. Richardson, $32 00 ; Hugh Billingsley, $23.00 ; J. F. Richardson, $15 50 ; J. F Richardson, $15 25 ; H. A. Miller & Co., $31.06 ; William W. Lee, $9.99 ; S. W. Treadwell, $9 50 ; and E C. Pratt, surviving partner of L. A. Pratt & Co., $125.00.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be and hereby authorized to borrow, not to exceed two thousand dollars at a rate of interest, not to exceed 6 per cent, for the purpose of erecting a House for Hook and Ladder Company, No 2, in the 4th ward.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken,

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Nays.—None.

Absent.—Ald. Cobb, Gardner, Hoffman, and Wortendyke.

Ald. Erwin offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the committee on Public Grounds, be, and are hereby authorised to purchase a lot in the third ward for the use of Passaic Hose Company No 4. provided the cost shall not exceed nine hundred dollars. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be instructed to procure plans and specifications for a new house, to be located in the Fourth Ward, for the use of Hook & Ladder Company No. 2 at a cost not to exceed two thousand dollars, and that the committee advertise for proposals to build the same.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the City Clerk's report of vacancies in the offices was taken from the table ; the rule equiring ballotings was suspended, and the following appointments were made viva voce :

First Ward—Commissioner of Appeals, David Gould

Judges of Election—Cornelius C. Martindale and Luke C. Lyman.

Second Ward—Commissioner of Appeals, James Flemming, Senior.

Judges of Elections—James Flemming, Senior, Henry French, John C Robbins.

Third Ward.

Commissioner of Appeals.

John V. Brower.

Judges of Election.

John B. Haight, and John G. McLaughlin.

Fourth Ward.

Commissioner of Appeals.

Ephraim Pray.

Judges of Election.

James B. Dunn and Daniel Fielding.

Pound Keeper

John Fine.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell it was

Resolved, That the Board do now proceed to the appointment of Street Commissioner, City Surveyors, Collector of Arrears of Taxes, and Collector of Assessments.

On motion of Ald. Thurston the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, to enable the Board to appoint viva voce City Surveyors.

Whereupon the following persons were appointed :

Stephen Quaife	Edward Coles
Robert C. Bacot	William H Wood
Isaac B. Culver,	Delos E. Culver.

Ald. Drayton and Clarke were appointed and acted as Tellers during all of the ballotings.

For Street Commissioner two ballotings were had, which resulted as follows :

First Balloting.

Robert S Gilman received eight votes.
John Jackman received two votes.
Henry French received one vote.
One blank was cast.

Second Balloting.

Robert S Gilman received ten votes.
John Jackman received one vote.
Henry French received one vote.

Whereupon Robert S. Gilman was declared appointed Street Commissioner.

For Collector of Assessments, nine ballotings were had, the first and second being as follows :

First Balloting.

Luke C. Lyman received four votes.
Jacob Z. Marinus received three votes.
John G. McLaughlin received three votes.
Walter Vandezee received one vote.
George E. Cutter received one vote.

Second Balloting.

Luke C. Lyman received four votes.
Jacob Z Marinus received three votes.
John G McLaughlin received three votes.
Walter Vanderzee received two votes.

After the second balloting, on motion of Ald. Tyrrell the further balloting for Collector of Assessments was suspended, and the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Arrears of Taxes.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :

George E. Cutter received nine votes.
William C. Morris received three votes.

Whereupon George E. Cutter was declared appointed Collector of Arrears of Taxes

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the ballotting for Collector of Assessments was resumed.

The ballotings resulted as follows, no choice being effected :

Third Balloting.

Jacob Z. Marinus received three votes.
William C. Morris received one vote.
John G. McLaughlin received one vote.
Luke C. Lyman received three votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea received four votes.

Fourth Ballotting.

Jacob Z. Marinus received two votes.
Luke C. Lyman received five votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea received four votes.
William C. Morris received one vote.

Fifth Balloting.

Luke C. Lyman received four votes.

Jacob Z. Marinus received one vote.
Richard R. Rappleyea received six votes.
William C. Morris received one vote.

Sixth Balloting.

Jacob Z. Marinus received three votes.
Luke C. Lyman received two votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea received seven votes.

Seventh Balloting.

Jacob Z. Marinus received three votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea received six votes.
Luke C. Lyman received three votes.

Eighth Balloting.

Jacob Z. Marinus received four votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea received five votes.
Luke C. Lyman received three votes.

Ninth Balloting.

Jacob Z. Marinus received three votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea received three votes.
Luke C. Lyman received six votes.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the Board then adjourned

GEO W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

The Following Report

Was laid before the Common Council at its meeting held on the 7th inst., was ordered to be published in the corporation paper, and filed in the City Clerk's office. GEO W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, October 11th, 1856.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR AND SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

To Geo. W Cassedy, City Clerk for the Common Council of Jersey City:

Sir:—In conformity with my duty I have the honor to submit the following

REPORT

Of the Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures, for the quarter ending 30th September, 1856.

NEWARK AVENUE.

June 30th, Mr. Paul No 110,
One scale and six weights adj'd& sealed.
Mr. Riley, No. 114½ "
Three Measures "
Dan'l Gardner, No. 116,
Five scales, thirteen weights and four measures "
Wm. Allen, No. 110½,
One spring scale "
Isaac Wakefield, No. 112,
One spring scale "
July 5th, Henry Miller, No. 102,
Three measures adj'd "
J. H. Bross, No. 61,
Five measures "
" 8th, Michael Donnelly, No. 11,
Four measures "
" 9th, Carscallen & Warner, No.
Five measures "
" 19th Doyle & Brady, cor. Newark Avenue and Grove street,
twenty weights eighteen measures and five scales adj'd "
" " T. S. Shaw, No. 135,
Six measures, twenty-four weights and one scale " "
" 26th, Patrick Corrigan, No. 161,
Twenty-eight weights, five scales and twenty-one measures " "
" " Benjamin Taylor, No. 163,
Two scales "
" " A. Stryker, No. 163½.
one scale, seven weights and six measures adj'd "
" " John M'Coy, No. 164,
Nine measures "
" " Mr. Paynton, No 156,
one scale, seven weights and seven measures " "
" " Fred Duer, No. 152,
three scales and four measures " "
" " Mr. Trelawney, No. 150,
Fourteen weights and two scales " "
" " Jas. Carroll, No. 148,
twelve weights, eight measures and one scale " "
" " Chas. Hengle, No 144,
Four measures "
" " Mrs. Mitchell, No 142,
Two measures "
" " Mr. Bryant, No. 140,
one scale, seven weights and five measures "
" " J. Smith, No. 138,
eight measures not yet sealed
" " Mr. McCann, No. 134½,
one yard measure, not yet sealed
" " Matthew Bradley, No. 134,
nine measures "
" " H. Gorlebias, No. 122,
Five measures "
" " Patrick Martin, cor. Newark Av. and Grove street,
seven measures "
" " John Corrigan, cor. Newark Av. and Grove street,
eight measures "
" " Wm. Delaney, No. 105,
one scale "
" 27th Mr. Philby No. 179,
eight measures "
" " Mr. Thompson, No. 183,
three measures "
" " Mr. Hulbrand, No. 181,
twenty-one weights, two scales and nine measures " "
" " Mr. McKernan, No. 191,
Four measures "
" " John Horn, cor. Newark Av. and Jersey Avenue,
Three scales, twenty weights and ten measures " "
Aug. 5th Jas. Fitzgerald, No. 194,
six scales, twenty-four weights and twenty-one measures " "
" " J. Marinus, No. 55,
Twenty-two weights, sixteen measures and four scales " "
" 11, Houston & Bickford, No. 190,
four scales "
" " Mr. Kiernan, No. 207,
two measures, twelve weights and one scale " "
" " John Doran, No. 211,
two scales, fourteen weights and three measures " "
" " Prall & Johnson, No. 213,
two scales "
" " Skelly & Corrigan, No. 212,
eighteen weights, five scales and seven measures " "
" " Starr & Phinney, No. 222,
one scale, twelve weights and five measures "
" " James Goven, No. 226,
one scale "
" " J. A. Van Voorhis, No. 229,
sixteen weights, three scales and five measures "
Sept. 1st Samuel Hoffman, No. 80,
one coal scale "
" " I. S Young & Brother, No. 58,
one coal scale "

MONTGOMERY STREET.

July 2sd, Edward Riley, No. 88,
Fourteen weights, one scale and eleven measures " "
Messrs. Drayton, No. 70,
Twenty four weights, seven scales and fourteen measures " "
" " Mrs. Donovan, No. 66,
Three scales and seventeen weights " "

" " John Bell, No. 64,
Two scales and seven weights " "
" " Dan'l Ersock, No. 69½,
Four weights and one scale " "
" " Geo. S. Gardner, No. 5[illegible]
six scales, twenty-two weights
and seventeen measures " "
" " S. Ingham, No. 89,
Five scales, eleven weights and
fifteen measures " "
" " Mr. Kenzall, No. 40,
Five scales, twelve weights and
twenty-two measures " "
" " Mr. Morrow, No. 53,
Three scales and eight weights " "
" " Samuel Anness, No. 85,
two scales and thirteen weights " "

GROVE STREET.

Mr. Anthony, No.
sixteen yard measures "
Mr. Archibald, cor. R. R. Av. and Grove
Thirteen yard measures "
Mrs. Whitfield, No. 257,
one yard measure "
Mrs. Smith, No. 259,
one yard measure "
Mrs. Jackson, No. 300½,
one yard measure "
Mrs E. Clark, No. 305,
one yard measure "
Saml. R. Tyrrell, corner Newark Av.
and Grove street, eight yard mea-
sures "
Evan Jones, No. 209,
one scale and eight weights "
John Mark, cor Grove st and R.R.Av.
eighteen weights, five scales and
eleven measures "

RAILROAD AVENUE, &c.

Mr. Smith, near cor. Railroad Av. and
Prospect street,
Four measures "
Mr. Griffith, No. 70,
one scale "
Graham & Conner, No. 88, nine weights
and one scale, "
Jas. Coleman, cor. R. R. Av. and Bar-
row street, twenty weights, three
scales and eleven measures "
Mr. Broking, cor. Michigan and Erie st.,
six scales, nineteen weights and twen-
ty measures "
Wm. Ewald, cor. Michigan and Erie sts.,
Five measures "
John Dehrmann, cor. Gregory and Mont-
gomery streets, fifteen weights, three
scales and fourteen measures adj'd and "
Mr. Duncan, No. 39 Gregory street,
twenty weights, five scales and six-
teen measures " "
Mr. Morrow, No 131 Warren street,
Two scales, seventeen weights and
eighteen measures. " "

All of which is very respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. GARDNER,
Inspector of Weights and Measures.

Jersey City, Oct. 6, 1856.

☞ **The following report was presented** to the Common Council of Jersey City on the 14th inst., received, and ordered to be published.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Jersey City, Oct. 15, 1856.

To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

In compliance with the instructions contained in a resolution passed by your Honorable Body on the 7th instant, I respectfully report the following list of persons, to whom licenses to keep Inns and Taverns, have been granted during the present corporation year, and the names of those parties who have taken out licenses to keep Inns and Taverns; and I also report that no applications have been made for licenses for Omnibusses or Hacks, and consequently none such has been issued during the current municipal year.

NAMES OF THOSE WHO HAVE TAKEN OUT LICENSES TO KEEP INNS AND TAVERNS.

William H. Frazee, of the Washington House.
John Schofield, of the Three Bells.
John B. Rae, of the Atlantic Hotel.
John Higham, of the City Hotel.
Oscar Maltman & Peter P. Post, of the Woodcock Saloon.
William Moore, of the Jersey Arms

LIST OF PERSONS TO WHOM LICENSES HAVE BEEN GRANTED TO KEEP INNS AND TAVERNS, BUT WHO HAVE NOT TAKEN THEM OUT

Nathan Turrel, John Allen, John J. Wanner, Walter W Briggs & William H. Bebee.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

GEO W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, Oct. 14, 1856.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting, at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, October 21st, 1856 at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilsen.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner, and Wortendyke.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 7th inst and of the adjourned regular meeting of the 13th inst were read and approved.

Petitions communications etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of William C. Morris to be appointed Collector of Assessments. Laid upon the table.

Petition of Robert Hutton and J. D Miller to be allowed to pave, curb, and gutter at their own expense, but under the direction of the Common Council, and to be completed within the time limited by the Common Council, South Sixth street from Grove street to Prospect street. Ref: to Com. on streets with power.

Petition of H. M Traphagen and others to have a lamp placed on each of the corners of the streets which cross Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue and North 9th street, in Prospect street. Ref. to com. on Lamps.

Official bond of Edward Coles as a city Surveyor (executed by Stephen Garretson and James S. Noyes as sureties.) Ref. to Corporation Attorney.

Official bond of George E Cutter as Collector of Arrears of Taxes (executed by John M. Cornelison, Sarah Hill and Samuel A French as sureties.) Ref to corporation attorney.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of Daily Telegraph, $20.50. Ref. to com. on Finance.

Of Daily Telegraph, $111.93; and W. T. Rodgers, Jr., $10.00. Ref to com. on Laws and Ordinances

Of Bourell, Brown, Hall & Co., $127.60; and S. A. French, $2.75. Ref to com. on Alms.

Of Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company, $25 00; Ingham & Hall, $3 25; and D. Bedford, $8.00 Ref to com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John M. Leonard, $166.25; Edward Coles, $69 00; and Laborers on Streets, $19.56. Ref to com. on streets.

Of C. Kallenbach, $2.25; William Garretson, $40.00 A. A. Rice, $11 50, and Ingham, Hall & Co., $2.94 Ref to com. on Fire and Water.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, reported correct, and under a suspension of the rules were ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department, $92.07; Day Policemen, $34.50; Jarvis L. Ayres, $5 36; William B Dunning, $15.00; George W. Cassedy, $250 00; J. V. Hardenbergh, $175.00; William Whitley, $150; George W. Cassedy, $50.00; and R. S. Gillman, $175.00.

The following claims and accounts refered to committees at previous meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Peter Dolan, $18.00; Frederick Porrett, $33.26. James M. Newkirk, $3.21; Marshall & Morris, $32.01, A. B Reynolds, $9 46; M J. Smith, $2.00; Edward Coles, $7 00; and G. Cooper, $24 95.

The claim of R. & J. McLaughlin, amounting to $66 63, referred to the committee on Lamps on the 7th inst., was reported correct for $64 63, and that amount ordered paid.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 20th instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Oct. 20th, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith return without my approval a resolution authorizing the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to purchase a lot in the 4th Ward for the use of Hook and Ladder Company, No. 2.

It seems to me that your Honorable Body must have passed this resolution without proper consideration, for surely you could not have intended deliberately to violate a law of our own making, which plainly points out the steps to be taken in the purchase of lots for the Fire Department, and with which it is presumed you must all be familiar.

The 25th section of the ordinance "To establish, regulate and control the Fire Department," directs "that whenever the Common Council shall deem one or more Engine houses, Hook & Ladder houses, or other buildings for the accommodation of the Fire Department of this city necessary, and the land upon which to erect the same shall be required, such land shall be purchased xxx in pursuance of a resolution to be passed by the Common Council, and approved by the Mayor in accordance with the provisions of the city charter, which resolution shall describe as near may be, the price and location of the land proposed to be purchased."

The resolution before me, entirely disregards the foregoing requirement and directions, and delegates to the committee absolute power to make the purchase, without reference to the cost or locality of the land, therefore cannot give it my sanction.

If, however, a lot can be obtained in a desirable locality, on reasonable terms, and the necessary money legally raised, to erect a building thereon, for the use of the company, in such case, any resolution passed in due form for said object, will meet my cheerful concurrence.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Edge moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yea—Ald. Thurston.

Nays—The President, Ald Clarke, Edge. Erwin, Hoffman. Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilsen.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner and Wortendyke.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's on the 21st instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Oct. 21, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I return without my approval a resolution instructing the Committe on Public Grounds and Buildings to procure plans and specifications for a new house to be located in the Fourth Ward for the use of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, and the Committee to advertise for proposals to build the same.

This resolution is not only premature, but informal—premature because it proposes an expenditure for plans, specifications and advertising for proposals for the building, before the land is purchased upon which it is to be erected. Informal because it does not conform to the provisions of an ordinance which requires that every resolution authorizing the erection of an building for the fire department shall set forth and accurately describe the general character of the proposed buildings, and it will be observed this important requirement is omitted in the resolution under consideration, therefore return it without my signature.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Edge moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas.—The President, Ald. Thompson, Thurston, and Tilden,

Nays.—Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Insley, Hoffman, McComb, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent.—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner, and Wortendyke.

An opinion of the Corporation Attorney as to the dimensions of Hamilton Square, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the Assessors tax list for 1856 and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney respecting the petition of J. Wilson and others to have a sewer constructed in Newark Avenue between Warren and Henderson streets for which he was on the 7th inst, instructed to draw an Ordinance; setting forth that the application is not sufficiently certain to enable the Common Council to proceed to the construction of such sewer. The Communication was received, ordered filed, and to be published in the minutes. Said communication is as follows:

To the Hon, The Mayor, and Common Council of Jersey City.

The subject of a petition of J. Wilson and others to have a sewer constructed in Newark Avenue between Warren and Henderson streets, having been referred to me, I have to say that I think the petition or application is not sufficiently certain in order to enable the Common Council to proceed to construct any sewer, as proposed. The act of the Legislature Pam Law 1855, requires that application shall be made either for a sewer of a permanent character or for a sewer of a temporary character, and not for the one or other as the Common Council shall feel disposed to construct.

But apart from this objection, I do not think it judicious for the Common Council to undertake the construction of a tempoaary sewer, and for my reason upon that subject I refer your Hon. body to the opinion hereto annexed which was prepared under the instruction of the Common Council as applicable to temporary sewers.

Your obedient servant

RICH. D. McCLELLAND, City Attorney.

Copy of a resolution passed by the Common Council of Jersey City, on August 26, 1856.

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney is hereby instructed to prepare a statement of the necessary preliminary proceeding to be taken by the Mayor and Common Council, in the construction of drains, sewers, and receiving basins, and also forms of notices and resolutions to be used in constructing such proceeding, and furnish said statement and forms to the Committee on sewers, with as little delay as possible.

In accordance with the instructions contained in the above resolutions, I have examined the acts of the Legislature on the subject and herewith submit the result of my investigations.

The power of constructing any sewer whatever, within the limits of Jersey City, as granted by the Charter was taken away, by the acts of the Legislature entitled an act, for the appointment of Commissioners &c, passed 1851, and an act to authorize the construction of works for supplying Jersey City, with water, passed 1852, and the supplement thereto. By the act of 1855 a further supplement to the act last named, pamplet laws 509. The Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, are authorized when application shall be made to them to construct temporary sewers or drains provided the same does not interfere with or obstruct the execution of the plan of the Water Commissioners as established by that and other acts.

The act further sets forth that the Mayor and Common Council shall publish the application for a sewer in some newspaper, published in Jersey City, for the space of twenty days, and that the costs of the same should be ascertained in the same manner that the costs of permanent sewers and drains is directed to be ascertained, in a supplement to the act to supply Jersey City with water, approved March 16th 1854, and should be collected in the same manner as assessments for the improvement of streets are collected.

The section of the act referred to is exceedingly imperfect, and any construction to be placed upon it doubtful in the extreme.

There is one thing well defined viz., the power of the Common Council to construct temporary sewers, but under what law such proceedings are to be had, the act is perfectly silent, are they to be conducted under the charter of Jersey City, or under the water act. The Common Council being placed in the stead of the water Commissioners.

Besides after the sewer is completed the Common Council being obligated to pay the cost of the same, must have some made of relief against the property owners, through whose lands the sewer is laid. The act provides a mode in which the cost shall be ascertained and collected, but so far as I can see, not a word of the manner in which the same shall be assessed upon the propertety. Those parts of the Charter contrary or inconsistant with the provisions of the supplement to the water act passed 1854, are expresly repealed; and the rights of the Common Council to construct sewers in the manner provided by their Charter, taken from them by the act referred to.

I do not think it would be expedient or judicious for the Common Council to undertake the construction of any temporary sewers until a further act of the Legislature shall be obtained specifing their powers.

I should not think it improper or illegal, for the Common Council upon the applications of persons interested to grant permission to property owners to open the street when necessary, in order to afford them an opportunity of temporary relief by constructing a sewer on their own account, provided the Common Council, first obtained security against the expense of relaying, paving, &c.

Your obedient servant

RICH. D. McCLELLAND, City Attorney.

To the Honorable, the Common Council of Jersey City

The undersigned owners of property, on both sides of Newark Avenue, between Warren and Henderson Streets, 325 feet from Warren, in Newark Avenue, respectfully respectfully represent that the water collects upon their premises, and it is apprehended that such water may be injurious to health, and that there is no remedy that the undersigned are aware of except the construction of a sewer, in said avenue, either of a temporary or permanent character. The undersigned do therefore respectfully request your Honorable Body to cause such sewer to be constructed, without delay, according to the charter and ordinances of said City.

Jersey City, Aug. 13th, 1856.

James Soden, Geo McLaughlin, P. H. Nugent, S. F. Cough, John Post, W. R. Drayton, S M. Hoffman, Henry A. Booraem, D. Scott, for the owners of the many property.

The Committee on Fire and water, to whom was referred on the 9th ultimo, charges against Hudson Hose Company, No. 1, made by a Committee of Hercules Engine Company, No. 3, presented a report, setting forth that they find, "the charges not fully sustained."

Report received, ordered filed, and the Committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Committee on streets reported three sealed proposals, received by them for the contract to regulate, pave, &c, South Sixth Street, between Prospect Street and Newark Avenue.

The proposals were received, opened, read, and found to be from Keeney & Halladay, Wm. A. Cumming, and Jacob Rapp.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved, That the proposals of Keeney & Halladay, Wm. A. Cumming, and Jacob Rapp, for the contract to regulate, pave, &c., South Sixth St, between Prospect street and Newark Avenue, which have been opened and read, at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred to the Committee on Streets,

with authority to contract with the lowest bidder, if the Committee deem it to the interest of the city to do so.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the Board of Commissioners for Assessments, report and map, and schedule, of the regulating of South First Street, from Prospect Street to Grove Street, including intersections, and the same were received, and ordered to be filed in the City Clerks office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper, that the Assessor's Report and Map for regulating South First Street, between Prospect and Grove Streets, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery Street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the first Tuesday in November at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson from the committee on assessments presented the Board of Commissioners for assessments' report, map and schedule of the regulation of South Sixth street from Erie street to Jersey Avenue including intersections, and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the corporation paper, that the Assessors' report and map for regulating South 6th street, between Jersey Avenue and Erie street, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the first Tuesday in November, at 7½ o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Thompson, from the committee on Assessments, presented the Board of commissioners for assessments' report, map and schedule, of the regulation of Wayne street from Jersey street to two hundred feet west of Putnam street, including intersections and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the corporation paper, that the assessors' report and map for regulating Wayne street from Jersey street to 200 feet west Putnam street, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in November at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

The committee on streets reported as correct, the claim of William A Cumming, amounting to $7576.78, referred to them on the 7th inst., for materials furnished and work done in the improvement of Pavonia Avenue, between the centre of Provost and Erie streets.

The claim was referred to the committee on Assessments to be assessed.

On motion of Ald. McComb, claim No. 1328 of William Flitcroft, amounting to $24.00, presented November 3d, 1852, was taken up and referred to the committee on Finance for investigation.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds & Buildings, together with the Committee on Streets, be authorized to expend the appropriation made for the improvement of Hamilton Square, thirty-five hundred dollars, in accordance with an ordinance passed May 30th, 1854, entitled "An ordinance to provide for the regulating and embellishing the Public Squares of Jersey City;" that said amount be expended in erecting a fence around said Square, and in grading the same as far as the earth now lying there will go: and that the joint Committee are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work, and the contract be given to the lowest bidder, provided the said joint Committee shall first become satisfied as to the legal boundaries of the Square.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston, Edge and Tilden:

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nay—The President.

Absent—Ald Cobb, Drayton, Gardner and Wortendyke.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the views of the Corporation Attorney as contained in his communication made to this Board at its present meeting on the subject of Hamilton Square and its boundaries, be adopted as the views of the corporate authorities of the city, and that the size of said Square be established according to the said communication.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resoluion:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and isthereby directed to examine into the nature of the consideration of a certain bond made by Selah Hill to the Corporation of Jersey City on the 18th day of January, 1850, and to report the result of said examination to this Board at its next regular meeting.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Insley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be authorized to borrow one thousand dollars for the purpose of building a city work house, to be attached to the alms house.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That all persons holding license as auctionee s in this city, who have not made their reports and payments, according to the ordinances passed Feb. 18, 1842, be informed that unless they make such reports or payments on or before the first of November next, that their licenses will be revoked.

THOS. E. TILDEN.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Edge offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase for the use of the Fire Department five hundred feet of Hemp Hose, at a cost not to exceed forty-two cents per foot.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, Mr. John Van Vorst has agreed to furnish or loan a sufficient amount of money to erect a Truck House in the 4th Ward of Jersey City, therefore

Resolved, That the Finance committee be and are hereby authorized to issue a city bond to said John Van Vorst for two thousand dollars, to run 15 years from the date of said bond, at and after the rate of 6 per cent. interest, and that the Mayor and City Clerk are requested to sign the same.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner and Wortendyke.

Ald Tyrrell offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the appointment of Daniel Fielding as a Judge of Elections in the Fourth Ward, made by this Board on the 14th inst., be declared null and void, there being at the time of his appointment but one vacancy, and his appointment having been made under the erroneous impression that two vacancies existed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner and Wortendyke.

Ald. Wilson stated that John G. McLaughlin is unable to act as a Judge of Elections, and asks to have some other person appointed in his place, whereupon on motion of Ald. Wilson, the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and William White was viva voce appointed Judge of Elections for the Third Ward.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, are hereby authorized in the name of the city, to purchase of Moses B. Bramhall for the sum of thirteen hundred dollars, a lot of ground twenty-five feet wide in front and rear, and one hundred feet in depth, situated in the Fourth Ward, and known and designated on Coles' map as lot numbered twenty-six (26) South 5th street, in Block numbered one hundred and seventy-five (175), for the purpose of erecting thereon, when purchased, a house for the use of Hook & Ladder Truck, No. 2; and that for the payment of the purchase money for said lot a bond or bonds of the city, be issued in the corporate name, by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the direction and on the requisition of the committee on Finance in favor of Moses B. Bramhall, for said sum of thirteen hundred dollars, and be drawn, payable in fifteen years from its date, with interest payable semi-annually, at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and naye having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrel and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner and Wortendyke.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and Fire and Water are hereby authorized to erect on the lot in the Fourth Ward, known as number twenty-six (26) South 5th street, in block number one hundred and seventy five (175) a two story brick house twenty feet wide and fifty-six feet deep, at a cost not to exceed two thousand dollars, for the use of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2; and that said Joint Committee procure plans and advertise for proposals for the contract to build said house according to such plans.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald Erwin, the following resolution adopted on the 14th inst. was rescinded:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby authorized to purchase a lot in the Third Ward for the use of Passaic Hose Company No. 4, provided the cost shall not exceed nine hundred dollars.

Ald. Tyrrell laid before the Board a printed copy of a communication of Mayor Clickener, of Hoboken, made to the Hoboken City Council, on the subject of the introduction of water into Hoboken, and moved.

"That a Special Committee of five be appointed to ascertain and report whether the statements made in said document are true."

The motion was adopted.

Ald. Tyrrell was appointed a member of the Special Committee, but declined serving, and Ald. Tilden, Thompson, Insley, Wilson and McComb, were appointed such Committee.

On motion of Ald. McComb, it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the 28th inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Ald. Insley, the Board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Assessments.

Ald. Hoffman and Clarke were appointed and acted as Tellers.

Four ballotings were had, which resulted as follows:

First Balloting.

William C. Morris received two votes.
Jacob Z. Marinus received one vote.
Luke C. Lyman received three votes.
Richard R. Rappleyea received six votes.

Second Balloting.

William C. Morris received one vote.
Richard R. Rappleyea received eight votes.
Luke C. Lyman received three votes.

Third Balloting.

Richard R. Rappleyea received eight votes.
Luke C. Lyman received four votes

Fourth Balloting.

Richard R. Rappleyea received nine votes.
Luke C. Lyman received three votes.

Whereupon Richard R. Rappleyea, was declared appointed Collector of Assessments.

(Ald. Edge and Insley obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald Thurston, the following entitled Ordinance, presented and laid on the table on the 1st April last, was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An Ordinance to provide for filling in, curbing, guttering, and laying side walk and cross walks at all the intersections in South Seventh street, between Monmouth street and Brunswick street.

The Ordinance was amended, and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Nays.—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner, Insley, and Wortendyke.

(Ald. Thompson obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald. Erwin it was

Resolved, That the following be appointed as the places for holding the approaching election, viz:

First Ward, The Old Hook & Ladder House in Sussex street, between Washington and Warren streets.

Second Ward—Fire Engine House, No. 3, at the junction of Gregory and York streets.

Third Ward—Fire Engine House, No. 5, in Mercer street near Grove street.

Fourth Ward—Americus Hook & Ladder House, No. 2 on the corner of Grove and South 5th streets.

And that the City Clerk is hereby requested to publish in the corporation paper from the prrsent time until the day of election, notice of the appointment of said places.

On motion of Ald. Clarke the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, October 28th 1856 at 7½ o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present.—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—President Davenport, and Ald. Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Wilson, and Wortendyke.

On motion of Ald. McComb, Ald. Cobb was appointed President *pro tempore*.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows;

Petition of Peter Henderson and others to have Peter Dolan appointed Pound Keeper for the Third Ward. Laid upon the table.

Petition of James Fitzgerald and others to have the sidewalks and crosswalks, or such part of them as are now of insufficient width or out of repair, in Newark Avenue from Warren street to Jersey Avenue, laid or relaid &c. Ref. to Com. on streets.

Petition of Garret E. Winants to have monies refunded to him, which he overpaid for taxes of 1855. Ref. to Com. on Finance.

Invitation from the Police Guard to accompany them on their second Annual Target Excursion on the 30th inst. Received and accepted.

Claims and accounts, were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Of Charles E. Hallenback, $2.50. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Edward D. Reily, $17.71. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Of Edward D. Reily. $1.37. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Joshua A. French $45.12 ; and Edward D. Reily $1.25. Ref to Com on Alms.

Of Peter Dolan $10.00 ; and E. C. Pratt, surviving partner of Luther A. Pratt & Co. $122.00. Ref. to Com. on Finance.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees, afterwards reported correct and ordered paid.

Of A. T. Smith $200.00 : R. D. McClelland $125.00 ; S. A. French, $100.00 ; Joseph Young, 400.00 ; Nathaniel Ellis, $38.13 ; C. J. Farley, $101.76 ; and C. J. Farley, $4.18.

A claim of James S. Noyes, amounting to $2520.29. for labor and materials furnished for the improvement of Prospect Street between Pavonia Avenue and North 6th street including intersections was presented, received, referred to the Com. on Streets, subsequently reported correct and then referred to the Com. on assessments to be assessed.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid.

Of laberers on streets $19.56 ; D. Bedford $8 00 ; P. Kelley, $5.72 ; Daily Telegraph $20.50 ; E. C. Pratt, surviving partner of Luther A. Pratt & Co., $42.75 ; Ingham & Hall, $3.25 ; and Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company $25.00.

The City Treasurer's report for September 1856, showing a balance in the treasury on the 1st inst., amounting to $5742 96. was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Reports of the Corporation Attorney, of the correctness of the bonds of Edward Coles, City Surveyor, and George E. Cutter, Collector of Arrears of Taxes, referred to him on the 21st inst were presented, and received. The bonds were approved and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the election of John Howeth as a member of Hose Company No. 4. and of F. S. Low by Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

Communications received, elections approved, and certificates of membership ordered to be issued.

The City Clerk verbally reported to the Board, that on the 25th inst., S. W. Treadwell filed his resignation as a Policeman.

The Com. on Assessments returned the claim referred to them on the 28th inst., August last of James S. Noyes, for $2180.36. for labor and materials, furnished for the improvement of Prospect street, between Pavonia Avenue and North Sixth street including intersections.

Claims recommitted to Com. on streets, subsequently reported not correct, and the report received and adopted.

The Com. on streets reported as correct the following claims referred to them on the 21st inst., and the same were referred to Com. on Assessments to be assessed, viz :

Of John M. Leonard, $166 25. for superintending the improvement on Pavonia Avenue ; and Edward Coles, $69.00. for surveys, maps, and calculations for the improvement of Pavonia Avenue between Provost and Erie streets.

The Com. on Public grounds and buildings returned two claims of William Coleman, amounting to $9.00. and $42.30, referred to them on the 14th inst., and verbally reported that the claims should have been presented to the Board of Education for auditing. The claims were ordered filed.

The Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings reported six sealed proposals received by them, in answer to their advertisement for contracts to furnish the materials and do the Masons' and Carpenter's work required in the erection of a Hook and Ladder house in the Fourth Ward.

The proposals were received, opened, read, and found to be from William Bumstead & Co., and Keeney & Halladay, to furnish the materials and do the Mason's work ; and from William Roosevelt, Simon, F. Noyes, James McLaughlin, and George Quaife & Co., to furnish the materials and do the Carpenter's work.

Ale. Tyrrell moved

"That the proposals which have been received, opened, and read, at this meeting of the Common Council from William Bumstead & Co., Keeney & Halladay, for the contract to furnish the materials and do the masons work required in the erection of the Hook and Ladder House proposed to be built in the Fourth Ward, and from William Roosevelt, Simon F. Noyes, James McLaughlin, and George Quaife & Co., to furnish the materials and do the Carpenters work required in the erection of the said House ; be referred to the Committee on Public grounds and buildings, with authority to contract with the lowest bidder for the contract to do the Mason's work, and

with the lowest bidder for the contract to do the Carpenter's work provided the Committee shall deem it to the interests of the city to make such contracts. The motion was adopted.

The Special Committee appointed on the 21st inst., to examine into and report upon the subject of the statements contained in the communication of the Mayor of Hoboken to the Council of that City, respecting the introduction of the Passaic Water into Hoboken under an arrangement with the Board of Water Commissioners of Jersey City, presented a report, which was received, and ordered to be published in the minutes of this meeting.

Said report being as follows :

To the Hon. Common Council.

The especial committee appointed at our last meeting to investigate the rumor that the Water Commissioners of this city had entered into a contract with the authorities of the city of Hoboken to furnish said city with water beg leave to present the following as their report.

M. B. Bramhall, President of the Board of Water Commissioners, some time in March last, submitted certain propositions to the people of Hoboken, relative to the introduction of water, to be voted upon by the inhabitants of Hoboken. The following is a copy of such propositions :

Extract from the minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners, held March 29, 1856.

"The subject of supplying Hoboken with water was then taken up, and after considerable discussion the following propositions were agreed upon, to be submitted to the citizens of Hoboken :

(Copy.)

WATER COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, March 29, 1856.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Hoboken:

Gentlemen:—The Water Commissioners of Jersey City propose to furnish a supply of Passaic water to the city of Hoboken, upon the following terms and conditions, viz :

First Proposition.

They will deliver a supply of water from the mains of the Jersey City Water Works, at the foot of Bergen Hill, at the rate of two and a half cents per hundred gallons ; the quantity to be ascertained by measurement through one or more metres, to be furnished by the city of Hoboken. The city authorities of Hoboken to guarantees to the Water Commissioners of Jersey City that the annual consumption of water at the aforesaid rate shall amount to a sum, at least equal to one dollar and fifty cents per capita, for the population of Hoboken.

Second Proposition.

They will furnish the city of Hoboken with a supply of water, at the same rates in all respects, as are now, or may hereafter be charged to the citizens and property of Jersey City. Under either of these arrangements the Commissioners believe they could furnish the city of Hoboken with an abundant and unfailing supply, and cheaper than such a supply could be obtained in any other manner.

The Commissioners have no apprehension that such supply will ever be interrupted, but to guard against a possible contingency, they will not be liable for damages in the event of accident to the works, and causing an interruption of the supply."

On motion the propositions were directed to be sent to the Mayor of Hoboken.

The above propositions were voted upon at the municipal election of said city last Spring in the condensed form of water or no water, and as we understand, the vote was almost unanimously cast for water.

After such vote was taken a committee consisting of the Mayor and several of the Aldermen of Hoboken, was appointed to confer with the Water Commissioners, to consummate the bargain. The result of such conference was the following communication from D. S. Gregory, President of the Board of Water Commissioners.

Copy.

OFFICE OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS,
JERSEY CITY, July 19, 1856

Hon. C. V. Clickener, Mayor of the City of Hoboken,

Dear Sir :—At our interview yesterday in consultation with the counsel of this Board, A. O. Zabriskie, Esq., as to the ability of the respective parties in interest to contract for supplying your city with water from our main, we came to the following conclusions :

1st. That by the terms of our amendment of 1851 having exhausted the first loan in building the Water Works this Board is not authorized to expend any more money in extending the water works beyond the limits of this city. The 13th section of the supplement approved 16th March, 1854, reads "that for the purpose of constructing the drainage works hereinbefore mentioned, and extending the Jersey City Water Works from time to time, as may be required, within the corporate limits of Jersey City; the Water Commissioners of Jersey City shall have authority to borrow at such time or times as they may deem expedient, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars," &c. &c.

2d. That the corporation of Hoboken is not authorized to borrow any money for laying the pipes from our main into and through the streets of Hoboken. Its power extends to the raising the necessary money therefore by a direct tax only.

3d. That the Hoboken Land and Improvement Company, having under its act of incorporation laid a certain length of distributing pipe in the streets of your city, has also power to extend said pipes, and to lay the main to our works.

4th. That the corporation of Hoboken has power to contract for the laying down works and pipes for supplying the city with water, that it may contract with the Hoboken Land and Improvement Company, and it or both, with our Board for a supply of water.

5th. That for the purpose of being united in the joint management of the works (this city consenting,) and a joint assumption of the whole indebtedness for the works by both cities, an act of the Legislature is necessary. I have the honor to be

Very Respectf'y Sir
Your ob't Serv't,
Signed D. S. GREGORY, President.

From the above facts it seems evident that no contract is in existence between the Water Commissioners and the people of Hoboken, and also that our Water Commissioners cannot without Legislative aid agree to supply Hoboken with water. Neither can the people of said city legally agree to receive it without certain aid from the same source.

Therefore your committee are of the opinion that the rumor which alleges that a contract has been made for supplying Hoboken with water, is founded in error, and entirely gratuitous on the part of those who gave publicity to such statement. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

THO. E. TILDEN,
J. R. THOMPSON,
H. McCOMB,

Jersey City, Oct. 28, 1856.

The com. on Assessments presented a report from the Board of Commissioners for Assessments on the improvement for regulating Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue and one hundred feet north of North Sixth street, including all intersections, and their assessment map and schedule of the expense, &c. of such improvement.

The report, map, and schedule were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the corporation paper that the Assessors' Report and Map for regulating Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue and 100 feet north of North 6th street, including all intersections, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in November at 7½ o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

The com. on Lamps presented a report and resolution on the petition of H. M. Traphagen and others, referred to them on the 21st inst., asking to have lamps placed in Prospect street.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted. The resolution being as follows:

Resolved, That the committee on Lamps be and is hereby authorized to have lamps and posts erected in Prospect street, on each corner between Pavonia Avenue and North 9th street.

The com. on Lamps, to whom was referred on the 7th inst., the petition of Philip Cooney and others, to have lamps placed at various points on Railroad Avenue, presented a report and resolution in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted. The resolution being as follows:

Resolved, That the committee on Lamps be and is hereby authorized to have lamps and posts erected at the following places, one at the corner of Gilbert street and Railroad Avenue; one at the corner of Colgate street and Railroad avenue; one at the corner of Merseles street and Railroad Avenue; one near the corner of Mill street and Railroad Avenue; all to be placed on the south side of Railroad Avenue.

The com. on Lamps, to whom was referred on the 16th September last, the petition of Joseph M. Brown, and others to have York street between Barrow street and Jersey street lighted, presented a report and resolution in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted. The resolution being as follows:

Resolved, That the committee on Lamps be and is hereby authorized to have lamps and posts erected in York street, between Barrow and Jersey streets.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Stephen W. Treadwell.

Ald. Thompson and Drayton were appointed and acted as tellers. A balloting was had, which resulted in Charles P. Seely's receiving all the votes cast, nine in number, whereupon Charles P. Seely was declared appointed such Policeman.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, it was

Resolved, That the Board do proceed to the appointment of a Special Policeman for Ferry purposes, the compensation of such special Policeman to be paid by the Ferry Company.

Ald. Thompson and Drayton were appointed and acted as Tellers, and a balloting was had which resulted as follows, no choice being effected:

George C. Clarke received eight votes.

One blank was cast.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the further balloting was postponed.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Wm. H. Brant be entitled to receive interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly from Oct. 20th, 1856, on a mortgage issued by the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, to D. S. Gregory, for Four Thousand Dollars, Dated Oct. 20th, 1846, and Due Oct. 20th, 1856, and assigned to Wm H. Brant, it being mutually agreed upon for a further extension of three years.

On motion of Ald. McComb, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday November 4th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald. Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 21st ultimo, and of the adjourned regular meeting of the 28th ultimo, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Twelve remonstrances against the confirmation of the assessment for regulating Wayne street from Jersey street to two hundred feet west of Putnam street including intersections; signed by Hugh Glennan, William Startup, John Hamilton, Jeremiah Delaney, Patrick C. Sherman, Burtha Shantz, Frederick Voght, John Killen, John LeForge, Owen Mutagh, Hugh Riley, and John B. Thomas; each remonstrance being signed by one of the above named parties. Ref. to Joint Committee on streets and Assessments.

Petition of Jacob Kornahrens and others to have Coles street, between South 5th street and Newark Avenue brought to the established grade, curbed, and guttered, &c. Ref. to Committee on streets.

Official bond of Robert S Gillman, as street Commissioner, as executed by William Keeney and Joshua A. French as sureties. Ref. to Corporation Attorney.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of David Bedford, $150.00. Ref, to Com. on salaries, offices and elections.

Of Police Department, $930.85; and Rea & Pollock, $3 65. Ref, to Committee on Police and Licenses.

Of J. F. Richardson, $34.50; and Isaac Wakefield, $27.01. Ref. to Committee on Lamps.

Of Frederick Porret, $115.58; and Isaac Wakefield $35 54. Ref. to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J. F. Richardson, $16.00; Isaac Wakefield, $3.75; and J. B. Stone, $30.00. Ref. to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings

Of Kemp & Ward, $8.42; Drayton & Durant, $79.80; Hugh Reilly, $11.87; and Isaac Wakefield $11.68. Ref. to Committee on Alms.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office this day and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Nov. 3, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

A resolution was adopted by your honorable body on the 21st ult., authorizing the Finance Committee to borrow one thousand dollars for the purpose of building a city work house, to be attached to the alms house, which is herewith returned without my sanction.

I cannot concur in this resolution, for the reason, that no time is fixed for which the loan is to be made, nor am I advised of any legal authority, by which it is proposed to be raised.

There is another objection to the resolution, which in my judgment deserves serious consideration. I am credibly informed that the Freeholders have already entered into an argument to erect a county work house, and about one half of the expense for its erection and maintenance will have to be borne by the taxable inhabitants of our city, therefore the city should be entitled to its share of benefits that may be derived from the institution. It surely would be bad policy to erect a city work house for our city poor and prisoners, while we are compelled to contribute our full quota towards the support of a county work house.

I have always advocated a city work house, but not with the view of supporting a county work house at the same time. Whenever a law shall be obtained, to relieve the city from the support of the poor and prisoners imposed by the other townships of the county, then, and not till then, should we build a city work house.

I therefore return the resolution without my signature.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald Edge moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

On motion of Ald Insley, Ald. Edges' motion was laid upon the table.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office this day and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Nov. 3, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have received and herewith return without my approval a resolution authorizing the committees of Public Grounds and Buildings and Streets to extend the appropriation made for Hamilton Square, (thirty five hundred dollars) in erecting a fence around said square, and in grading the same as far as the earth now lying there will go, in accordance with an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to provide for regulating and embellishing the public squares of Jersey City," approved June 8, 1854, provided the said joint committee shall first become satisfied as to the legal boundaries of the square.

On examination I find that the resolution before me is a direct perversion of the letter and the spirit of the ordinance to which it refers. The ordinance directs that every resolution authorizing any improvement on the public squares shall accurately set forth the nature or kind of improvement to be made, together with the limit of expenditure for the same, and all such improvements shall be made under the supervision of the committee on Public grounds and buildings, and the street commissioner, and the expense thus incurred shall be paid out of the City Treasury.

Now the resolution clearly conflicts with the directions of the ordinance. It directs the joint committee to erect a fence around Hamilton Square, but does not set forth, as is required, the kind of fence nor the limits of the expenditure for same, nor does the ordinance recognize any such joint committee but positively directs under whose supervision all such improvements are to be made. The resolution should describe accurately the character of the proposed fence as the ordinance directs, whether it is to be con-

structed of wood, iron, or some other material, and fix a limit as to its cost, that the Mayor as well as all the members of our Honorable Body, may act understandingly If an ordinance is worth making it should surely be maintained inviolate until repealed.

The resolution also authorizes the joint committee to grade the square as far as the earth now lying thereon will go, provided the committee shall first become satisfied as to the legal boundaries of the Square.

It is equally required by the ordinance that the resolution should accurately describe the manner in which the square is to be graded. If I am rightly informed, there is no established grade to the square except on its boundaries, the resolution should establish and fix its interior grade at least in the centre of the square; therefore it seems to me the proper course to be taken, is, first to establish the grade, and grade it accordingly, then it will be in a condition to lay it out, plant the trees and enclose it with a suitable fence. You must all be aware that the appropriation made the current year, to improve this square, is only thirty-five hundred dollars, while the estimated cost to grade the square alone, is some ten thousand dollars. Any legal and judicious measures that may be taken by your Honorable Body to expend the appropriation to improve this square, will meet my hearty concurrence. As to the legal boundaries of the Square, I never supposed there could be any difference of opinion in relation to it, however I am advised that a legal opinion has recently been given by the corporation attorney that the boundaries lines as indicated on the dedicatory map of John B. Coles, are not the true boundaries of the square, but that it is bounded by imaginary lines within those shown on said map, and making an area of only four hundred and eight feet square, instead of six hundred feet square. This is raising a grave question, for there is nothing on the map of John B. Coles to indicate any street within the square, more especially along its easterly and westerly sides, and should the corporation attorney be correct in his premises, all that portion of the Square, lying between these imaginary lines and the boundary lines as laid down on said map, must have been a private reservation, and in such case must still belong to the estate of John B Coles. Under these circumstances I feel that a majority of your Honorable Body, and the Mayor, should be satisfied as to legal boundary of the Square, as well as the committee to whom you have delegated full power to establish its boundaries. I therefore return the resolution for re-consideration.

D S MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald, Hoffman moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected, by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald Erwin, Thurston and Tilden.

Nays—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Sentinel, for twelve days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, November 4th, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Election Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the following have been appointed by the Common Council of Jersey City, as the places for holding the approaching election, viz:

First Ward, The old Hook and Ladder House, in Sussex Street, between Washington and Warren Streets.

Second Ward, Fire Engine House, No. 3, at the junction of Gregory and York Streets.

Third Ward, Fire Engine House, No. 5 in Mercer Street near Grove Streets.

Fourth Ward. Americus Hook and Ladder House, No. 2, on the corner of Grove and South Fifth Streets.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, October 23, 1856.

The report was received, and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City, that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Sentinel for eight days previous to this date.

Dated Jersey City, Nov. 1st, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

NOTICE TO AUCTIONEERS.—THE following is a copy of a resolution passed by the Common Council of Jersey City on the 21st inst.

GEO W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Jersey City Oct. 24, 1856.

Resolved, That all persons holding license as auctioneers in this city, who have not made their reports and payments, according to the ordinances passed Feb. 18, 1842, be informed that unless they make such reports or payments on or before the first of November next, that their licenses will be revoked.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Sentinel, for thirteen days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, November 4th, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIR- mation of Assessment for regulating South Sixth street from Erie street to Jersey Avenue, including intersections.

Notice is hereby given, that the Assessors Report and Map for regulating South Sixth street from Erie street to Jersey Avenue, including intersections, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the first Tuesday in November next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, Oct. 22, 1856.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Sentinel, for thirteen days previous to this date.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, Nov. 4, 1856.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIR- mation of Assessment for regulating South First street from Prospect to Grove street, including intersections.

Notice is hereby given, that the Assessors Report and Map for regulating South First street from Prospect to Grove street, including intersections, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at

the Common Council Chamber, on the first Tuesday in November next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, Oct. 22, 1856.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Sentinel, for twelve days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, Nov. 4, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMation of Assessment for regulating Wayne street from Jersey Street to 200 feet west of Putnam street, including intersections.

Notice is her by given, that the Assessors Report and Map for regulating Wayne street, from Jersey Street to 200 feet west of Putnam street, including intersections, is on file in the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the first Tuesday in November next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, Oct. 23d 1856.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Fire and Water returned the claim referred to them on the 7th ultimo of R. & J. McLaughlin, amounting to $10.50, and the same was referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of John Marshall $12.00; W. D. Garretson $40 00; E. D. Reily, $1.25; E. D. Reily $17.71; E. C. Pratt, surviving partner of Luther A. Pratt & Co. $122 00; Bonnell, Brown, Hall & Co., $127.60; and Ingham Hall & Co., $2.94.

Ald Cobb moved "That the following resolution passed on the 21st ultimo be rescinded.

Resolved, That the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, are hereby authorized in the name of the city, to purchase of Moses B. Bramhall for the sum of thirteen hundred dollars, a lot of ground twenty-five feet wide in front and rear, and one hundred feet in depth, situated in the Fourth Ward, and known and designated on Coles' map as lot numbered twenty-six (26) South 5th street, in Block numbered one hundred and seventy-five (175), for the purpose of erecting thereon, when purchased, a house for the use of Hook & Ladder Truck, No. 2; and that for the payment of the purchase money for said lot a bond or bonds of the city, be issued in the corporate name, by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the direction and on the requisition of the committee on Finance in favor of Moses B. Bramhall, for said sum of thirteen hundred dollars, and be drawn, payable in fifteen years from its date, with interest payable semi-annually, at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

The motion to rescind was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, are hereby authorized in the name of the city, to purchase of Harvey M. Soule, for the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, a lot of ground twenty feet wide in front and rear, and sixty feet in depth, situated in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City, and known and designated on Cole's map, as parts of lots number nineteen and twenty, on Erie Street, in block number one hundred and fifty three, for the purpose of erecting thereon when purchased, a house for the use of Hook & Ladder Truck No. 2, and that for the payment of the purchase money for said parts of lots, as above stated, a Bond of the City be issued, in the corporate name, by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the direction, and on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Harvey M. Soule, for said sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, and be drawn payable in fifteen years from its date, with interest payable semi-annually, at the rate of six per cent per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to publish in the corporation paper for three weeks, a notice that the Common Council will, at its first regular meeting in December next, at 7½ o'clock P. M., receive applications for the appointment to the scholarship held by this city in Columbia College, New York, and from amongst the applicants will make the appointment, pursuant to the ordinance passed March 26, 1847, entitled "an ordinance concerning the appointment of a student to the scholarship in Columbia College."

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Thurston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed to ascertain the correct boundaries of Hamilton Square as dedicated to this city.

The resolution was adopted, and Ald Thurston, Edge and Cobb, wore appointed such committee.

Ald Edge offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Joint Committees on Fire and Water and Public Grounds and Buildings, be and the same are hereby au-

thorized to ascertain if a suitable lot of ground can be procured in the Second Ward and the price of the same, for the purpose of erecting a hose carriage house thereon, and report the same to this Board.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the license of all auctioneers of this city that have not made the payments and quarterly reports according to law, be and are hereby revoked; and that the corporation attorney is hereby directed to prosecute their sureties for the amount of commissions due to the city.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent be added for collector's fees to to the amount of the assessment for regulating South 6th street, between Jersey Avenue and Erie street, and that the said assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Clarke, Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. and D. E. Culver, for twenty-three 50–100 dollars, being the amount of their bill for Surveys on South Sixth Street, between Jersey Avenue and Erie Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution;

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William B. Leach, for superintending work on South 6th Street, between Jersey Avenue and Erie Street, for ten dollars, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clark, Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee of Finance, in favor of William A. Cumming, for thirteen hundred and twenty-eight. 54–100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for furnishing material and work, in regulating South Sixth Street, between Jersey Avenue and Erie Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of J. M. Leonard for fifty-one 25-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending the regulating South 6th street, between Jersey Avenue and Erie street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Clarke, Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent. be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating South 1st street, between Prospect and Grove st., and that said assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald Thomson offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate

be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of John R. Halladay for regulating South 1st street between Prospect and Grove street for eight hundred and seventy nine 31–100 dollars and that His Honor the Mayor is requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley. Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Clarke, Drayton McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the committee on Finance. in favor of J. M. Leonard for twenty three 75–100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending work on South 1st street. between Prospect and Grove st., and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken;

Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver, for twenty three dollars, being the amount of the bill for regulating South 1st st., between Prospect and Grove, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

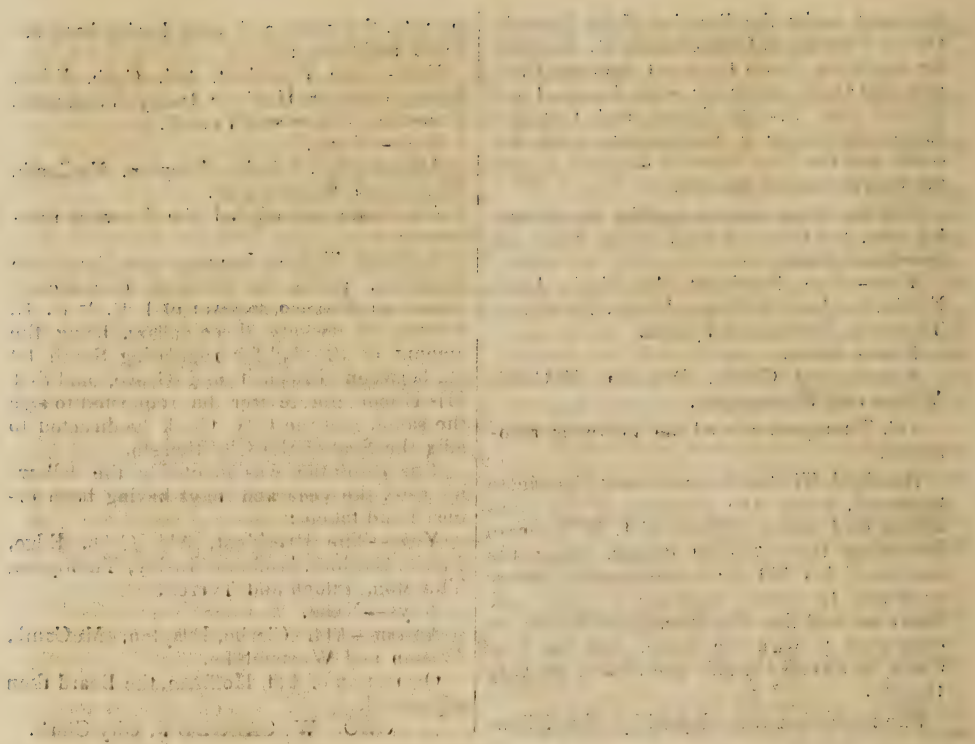
Yeas—The President, Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, McComb, Wilson and Wortendyke.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.



COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, November 18th, 1856. at 7½ o'clock P, M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman and Wortendyke.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc; were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of I. S. Christie and others to have a lamp and post placed on the south easterly corner of Pavonia Avenue and Erie st. Ref to Com. on Lamps: subsequently reported upon favorably, and the following resolution presented by the Committee on Lamps and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be and is hereby authorized to have a lamp and post erected on the corner of Pavonia Avenue and Erie street.

Petition of Simon Clark for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

The following official bonds were presented, approved and ordered filed, viz:

Of Richard R. Appleyea, as Collector of Assessments, Delos E. Culver, as a City Surveyor. William H. Wood, as a City Surveyor.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of W. Moore, $46.25; A. Love, $18.33; E. N. Cleveland, $32.50; E. Coles, $21.50: W. Moore, $36 25; J. R. Halladay, $1943.07; Keeney & Halladay, $202 39; E. Coles, $69.00; I B & D. F. Culver, $46 00; and J. R. Halladay, $2347.33. Ref to com. on Streets.

Of J. Marshall, $53 00; R. B. Kashow, $8.19: R. B. Kashow. 7.22; Bradt & Co; $5.00; and M. Swett $79.92. Ref. to com. on Fire and Water.

Of A. Love, $350.00; and R. B. Kashow, $4,16 Ref to com. on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of R. B. Kashow, $2.00, R. B. Kashow, $35.11; W. C. Morris, $88.23; W. H. Wood, $35.00; and J. V. Hardenburg, $1 50. Ref to com. on Finance

Of C. T. Gardner, $227.29; Drayton & Durant. $76. 01, and J. M Newkirk, $3.21. Ref to Com. on Alms.

Of D Bedford, $10 50; S. Mead, $1 90; Passaic Ice Company, $12.94; and Fifth ity Division, $75.00; Ref to com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of W. Eaton, $20.59; H. Billingsley $28.00; and H. A. Miller $130 04. Ref to com on Lamps.

Of H. A Miller, $12.69; J. M. Topping, $2.00; and R. B. Kashow, $5.83. Ref to com. on Police and Licenses.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of I. Wakefield, $27.01; J F. Richardson, $34.50; D. Bedford, $150 00; F. Porrett, $115 58: Rea & Pollock, $3.65; Police Department, $930 85. I. Wakefield, $3.75; J. B. Stone, $30.00; J. F. Richardson, $16.00; and W. Coleman, $10.18.

In the absence of his two colleagues of the Committee on Alms, Ald. Insley asked to have a member of the Board associated with him for the purpose of examining claims in the possession of that Committee. Ald. Tyrrell was appointed for the purpose and the following claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of I. Wakefield, $11.68; Kemp & Ward, $8.42; S. A French. $2.75: Hugh Riley, $11.87; and Drayton & Durant, $79.80.

A petition of Martin Ward, Policeman, on the subject of his pay while under suspension from duty, was presented, received and referred to the committee on Police and Licenses.

The resignation of E. Randall, as a Chosen Freeholder from the fourth ward was presented, accepted, and ordered filed.

The resignation of Alexander Ramsay as a member of the Board of Education from the Fourth Ward, was presented, accepted, and ordered filed.

The resignation of Henry Paynton as a Policeman, was presented, accepted, and ordered filed.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing the resignation of Moses B. Bramhall as a Water Commissioner, was presented, received, and the resignation accepted and ordered filed.

The resignation of Jacob R. Wortendyke as an Alderman, from the Third Ward was presented, accepted, and ordered filed.

The bond of Robert S. Gillilan, as Street Commissioner, was reported correct by the Corporation Attorney, approved and ordered filed.

The report of the Chief of Police Department, for term ending on the first instant, was presented, read and on motion of Ald. Insley referred back to that officer, with instructions to make a full report as required by the ordinance regulating the Police Department.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy, and the report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City, that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twenty days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, November 18, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of Assessment for regulating Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue and 100 feet north of North 6th street, including all intersections.

Notice is hereby given, that the Assessors Report and Map for regulating Prospect street, between Pavonia Avenue and 100 feet north of North 6th street, including all intersections, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in November next, at 7½ o'clock P. M.; to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing. By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSELY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, October 29, 1856.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy, and the report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel, for twenty pays previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, Nov. 18, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have South Second street, between the easterly line of Monmouth street, and the northerly line of Newark Avenue, filled with earth, and brought to the established grade.

Notice is hereby given, that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have South Second street, between the easterly line of Monmouth street, and the northerly line of Newark Avenue, filled with earth, and brought to the established grade, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in November next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at which time it will hear and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing to the said improvement. By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, October 17, 1856.

An opinion of the Corporation Attorney, respecting the ordinance relative to Auctioneers was presented and read.

Ald. Tyrrell moved "That the opinion be received and filed."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the

yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, on the call of Ald. Wilson, Tilden and Erwin.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, and Tyrrell.

Nays.—Erwin, Tilden, and Wilson.

Absent.—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, and Hoffman.

An opinion of the Corporation Attorney, respecting the bond of Selah Hill held by the city, was presented received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing a return of elections by Hercules Engine Co, No 3, recommending that the return be referred back to the Company or to its Clerk on account of the illegality of said elections. Communications received, and the returns referred back to the Clerk of Engine Co. No. 3.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing a charge by the Foreman of Hose Co., No. 2., against Engine Co., No. 4. and stating that he has suspended both Companies. Received and the whole subject referred to the Joint Committee on Fire & Water & Alms.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the election of Oscar Maltman as a member of Hook & Ladder Co., No. 2. and the transfer of Joseph D. Gopsill from Engine Co. No. 5 to Hose Co. No. 1.

Communications received and the election and transfer approved.

The Joint Com. on Streets and Assessments, to whom were referred on the 4th instant, sundry remonstrances against the assessment for the improvement of Wayne street, from Jersey street to two hundred feet west of Putnam street, reported that they have corrected the errors and that the assessment is now correct, and they recommend that it be confirmed. The report was received.

The Com. on Streets to whom was referred on the 21st October last, three proposals for the contract to regulate South 6th street from Prospect street to Newark Avenue, reported that they have accepted the proposal of William A. Cumming, and presented contracts with him, and the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to execute the contract.

The report was received, and the resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson moved That the resolution adopted at the last meeting ordering an Improvement Certificate to be issued in favor of William B. Leach, for ten dollars be rescinded.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson,

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution,

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of the New Jersey Railroad and Trans Co., for six hundred and seventy three 35-100 dollars, on account of Patrick McCafferty, as contractor for regulating Warren st., between Montgomery and Morgan street and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. and D. E. Culver for ten dollars being the amount of William B. Leach's bill for superintending work on South Sixth street between Jersey Avenue and Erie street, assigned to them by said Leach, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue, and 100 feet north of South 6th street, and that said Assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolve, That an Improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B & D. E. Culver, for sixty eight dollars, being the amount of his bill for surveys and maps for work, on Prospect street, between Pavonia Avenue and 100 feet north of South Sixth St., and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of John M. Leonard for twenty-five dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending work on Prospect street, between Pavonia Avenue and 100 feet north of South 6th street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of James S. Noyes, for twenty-five hundred and twenty 20-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue and 100 feet North 6th Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver for seventeen dollars being the amount of their bill for Surveys

and Maps of Prospect street between Paronia Avenue and 100 feet north of South 6th street and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Wayne street from the centre of Jersey street 200 feet west of Putnam street and that said Assessment be confirmed

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Drayton, Erwin Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of E W. Cleveland, for eleven 25-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending work on Wayne Street, from Jersey Street 200 feet west of Putnam Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, and Hoffman.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. P. & D E. Culver, for fifty-seven 50-100 dollars, being the amount of their bill for surveying work on Wayne Street from Jersey Street 200 feet west of Putnam Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President. Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston. Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge Gardner, and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William A. Cumming, for twenty five hundred and fifty 41-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Wayne street, from Jersey Street 200 feet west of Putnam street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President. Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, and Hoffman.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the claims of James S. Davenport, $75.00; and H. M. Traphagen, $75.00; for services as Commissioners in the opening of Montgomery street, were taken from the table and ordered paid.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue, under the corporate seal of the City the necessary declarations of sale to purchasers at the sale made on the eighth instant, for arrears of Water Rents.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Board of Water Commissioners of Jersey City, for the amount of Water Rents and interest arising out of the proceeds of the sale made by this Corporation on the eighth instant for arrearages of Water Rents due prior to December 20th, 1855.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Assessment Committee in connection with His Honor the Mayor be and are hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for furnishing this City with a correct and reliable Assessment Map, and also to determine and locate the position of all monuments necessary to fix the actual lines of all the Streets and Avenues.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. McComb, the following resolution, passed on the 21st ultimo, was rescinded:

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and Fire and Water are hereby authorized to erect on the lot in the Fourth Ward, known as number twenty-six (26) South 6th street, in block number one hundred and seventy-five (175) a two story brick house twenty feet wide and fifty-six feet deep, at a cost not to exceed two thousand dollars, for the use of Hook & Ladder Company, No. 2; and that said Joint Committee procure plans, and advertise for proposals for the contract to build said house according to such plans.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and Fire and Water are hereby authorized to erect on parts of lots known as lots nineteen (19) and twenty (20) Erie street, in block one hundred and fifty-three (153) recently purchased of Harvey M Soule, a two story brick house and metal roof twenty feet wide in front and rear, and fifty six feet deep, at a cost not to exceed 2 thousand dollars, for the use of Hook & Ladder, No 2, and said Committee to procure plans and specifications for the same.

The resolution was adopted

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and he is hereby ordered to prosecute the Bonds of all persons who have held licenses as auctioneers for Jersey City that have not made the quarterly payments and reports according to an ordinance passed February 18th, 1842, relating to appointing Auctioneers. This action is taken to test the validity of said ordinances.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald McComb offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The Joint Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and Fire and Water, having been authorized to advertise for proposals to erect a House for the use of Hook & Ladder Company, No. 2, and having received six sealed proposals from Wm. Bumstead & Co, Keeney & Halladay, William Roosevelt, Simon F. Noyes, James McLaughlin and George Quaife & Co., for the contract, Therefore

Resolved, That the Joint Committee be authorized to contract with Messrs. Keeney & Halladay, Masons, and George Quaife & Co, Carpenters, they being the lowest bidders, and within the appropriation to erect said House, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be requested to execute contracts with said parties under the Corporate Seal of the City.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds

and Buildings, are hereby authorized to renew the policy of Insurance on Public School House No. 1. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Insley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The members of the Police Department, when sick or disabled, receive the gratuitous attendance of the City Physicians. The resolution was rejected.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the rule requiring a balloting was suspended to enable the Board to appoint viva voce, a Policeman from the Fourth Ward, in the place of Henry Paynton, resigned.

Whereupon John B. Davis was appointed.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the rule requiring a balloting was supended and Ephraim Pray was viva voce appointed a Chosen Freeholder, from the Fourth Ward, in the place of Erastus Randall, resigned.

The vote on the adoption of Ald. Tyrrell's motion was as follows the Yeas and Nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education from the Fourth Ward in the place of Alexander Ramsay resigned.

Ald. Tilden and Wilson were appointed and acted as Tellers.

Two ballotings were had, as follows:

First Balloting.

W. B. Dunning received three votes.
J. R. Wortendyke, received three votes.
D. E. Culver received four votes.
One blank was cast.

Second Balloting.

W. B. Dunning received three votes.
J. R. Wortendyke, received three votes.
D. E. Culver received four votes.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Ald. Thompson the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Water Commissioner, in the place of Moses B. Bramhall, resigned.

The same Tellers acted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

David S. Manners received nine votes.
Cornelius Van Vorst received two votes.

Whereopon David S. Manners was declared appointed.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday next, the 25th instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

On motion of Ald. Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, November 25th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Hoffman, Thompson and Wilson.

A remonstrance of Thomas O'Rourke, against the assessment for regulating Wayne Street from Jersey Street to 200 feet West of Putnam Street, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A communication from a Committee of Members of Protection Engine Company No. 5, protesting against the use of their House for holding elections, was presented, received, and laid upon the table.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of Alexander Love, $2.00. Ref to Committee on Public Health.

Of E. D. Reilly, $28.83. Ref to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Wm. Keeney and John R. Halladay, $31.26. Ref to Committee on Streets.

Of Wm. Whitley, $20.00. Ref to Committee on Alms.

Of E. D. Reilly, $3.55. Ref to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of E. C. Pratt, surviving partner of Luther A. Pratt & Co., $56.50, and $31.50. Ref to Committee on Finance.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, $39.37. Ref to Committee Police and Licenses, subsequently reported correct, the rules suspended for the purpose of enabling the Board to audit the claim, and the same ordered paid.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at previous meetings of the Board, were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of R. B. Kashow, $5.83, and 4.04; Alexander Love, $4 62. $550.00, and $18.33; H. A. Miller, $130. 04 and $12.69; J. M. Topping, $2.00; J. M. Newkirk, $3 21; Drayton & Durant, $56.04; I. S. Miller $1 88; C. T. Gardner, $227.29; William Eaton, $20. 50; and Hugh Billingsley, $28.00

The semi-annual report of the Overseer of the Poor and Superintendent of the Alms House, was presented, received, and ordered to be printed in the minutes of the Common Council:

Said report being as follows:

To the Hon, The Mayor, and Common Council of Jersey City.

The Overseer of the Poor respectfully presents to your Honorable Body his half yearly report, ending October 31st, 1856, by which it will appear that (70) seventy adults and (200) two hundred children have been relieved by donations in Groceries. The expenses of the out door poor has been ($605.90) six hundred and five dollars and ninety cents on the following account:

Groceries	$491.40
Shoes	20.00
Transportation of Paupers	35.50
Children at Nursing,	25.00
Interments,	34.00
	$605 90

I am well aware that the subject of out door relief has long had the serious consideration of the committee on Alms. It is a subject for deep reflection as to what remedy, if any, can be found to compel them to become inmates of the institution would make them Paupers for life, would likel follow to their posterity. It is not to be denied that many of those who receive temporary aid, on the return of prosperity find that they are able to support themselves, many are of that class who are real subjects of charity. Old and infirm persons who find themselves unable to obtain their own livelihood under any circumstances, and the application of this charity to these peculiar cases cannot and should not be denied. In many instances persons have availed themselves of the facilities afforded by obtaining aid from every quarter, and lead a life of idleness rather than to make ordinary exertions to obtain employment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY, Overseer Poor.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen:—The Superintendent of the Alms House respectfully presents to your Honorable Body his half yearly report, ending October 31st, 1856. There were remaining in the House on the 1st of May 70. The whole number of persons admitted from May 1st to Oct. 31, 1856 inclusive was ninety-eight.

Male Adults	24	
Female "	38	
Children	29	
Foundlings	5	
Births	2	98
	Total	168

Discharged, died and adopted, or bound out within the above period were one hundred and eight which were as follows:

Male Adults discharged	24	
Female " "	84	
Children "	36	
Bound or adopted	8	
Died	6	108

Remaining in the House Oct 31st, 1856, 60.

The actual cost of the maintenance of the Alms House, was $696 48, exclusive of coal, which will come in the annual report, which has been on the following account:

Groceries	$738 07	
Beef	150 15	
Dry Goods	179 51	
Lumber	34 95	
Hardware	37 36	
Horse Feed	34 25	
Shoes	57 00	
Wood	4 00	
Soap	22 50	
Furniture	14 50	
	1277 29	
Goods on hand	580 81	
	696 48	

The whole expense of the Alms House and out door Poor amounts to $818 2 83

The health of the inmates are good, taking into consideration the aged and debilitated state of those admitted; that is the adults. The children were afflicted with the measels, which removed by death several of them, with no possibility to save them. The efficient aid rendered by the committee on Alms has enabled me to conduct, I hope, the affairs so as to meet the approbation of the Common Council and the community in general

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY,
Superintendent of Alms House.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a report setting forth that they have purchased a lot in the 4th Ward, of Harvey M. Soule, for the use of the Fire Department &c. as instructed by the Board, and presented the deeds for the same, with a certificate of the Corporation Attorney, that he finds the title perfect; the Report recommending that the Corporation Attorney be instructed to have said deeds recorded, and then to file them in the Comptroller's office. Report received and recommendation adopted.

The Joint Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, and Fire and Water, who were by resolution passed November 18th, instructed to contract with Keeney & Halladay and George Quaife & Co., for building Hook & Ladder House, No. 2, in the 4th Ward, reported that contracts have been executed by said parties, and by the City. Report received and accepted.

The Committee on Police and Licenses to whom was referred on the 18th inst., the Petition of Simon Clark, for a license to peddle fish, fruit, and vegetables, reported in favor of granting the License. Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Police and License, to whom was referred on the 18th inst., the petition of Martin Ward, to be allowed his pay, during the time of his suspension from duty as a Policeman, reported against granting his prayer. Report received and adopted.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Common Council on Public Grounds and Buildings and the Street Commissioner, under authority of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for the regulating and embellishing the public squares in Jersey City," approved June 8, 1854, be and the same are hereby instructed to have graded the easterly part of Hamilton Square, as far as the excess of earth now lying on its easterly half will go, (estimated at 5000 yards) at a cost not to exceed 30 cts. per cubic yard, and about 3000 cubic yards, of additional good earth, selling at a cost not to exceed 60 cents per cubic yard and advertise for proposals for the same, which proposals to be submitted at the next meeting of this Board. The grade of the square to be made to conform to the grade marked at the streets, terminating on the stone, and the grades in the centre of the Square to be established at a point which a direct line from the grades of Pavonia Av, on the easterly and westerly sides of said Square intersect said point in Jersey Avenue.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of Keeney & Halladay, for seven hundred and ninety five dollars, being the amount due to them on their contract for Mason's work in the erection of Hook & Ladder House No. 2, in the 4th Ward.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George Quaife & Co., for four hundred dollars, being the first payment on their contract for building Hook & Ladder House No. 2, in the Fourth Ward.

Ald McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate or Certificates be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of W. A. Cummings, for five thousand dollars, being on account of his contract for regulating Pavonia Avenue, between Prospect st. and Erie st., and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same and the Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton Edge, Erwin, Gardner Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent.—Ald. Cobb, Hoffman, Thompson and Wilson.

Ald Erwin offered the following resolutions which were rejected:

Resolved, That a special election be held in the Third Ward on Tuesday the sixteenth day of December next, for one Alderman from the 3d Ward, for the unexpired term of Jacob R. Wortendyke, resigned.

Resolved, That the poll be opened at 8 o'clock, A. M., and be closed at 7 o'clock P. M., and be in

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Third Ward is hereby directed to post notices of said special election in five of the most public places in the Ward for eight days prior to said election and the City Clerk is hereby requested to send to him a copy of this and the preceding resolutions

Resolved, That the Board of City Canvassers (to consist of the members of the Common Council, and a Judge of said election, to be selected by his associate Judges and the City Clerk as Clerk of the board) be required to meet at the City Clerk's office on Friday the nineteenth day of December next, at four o'clock in the afternoon to canvass the return of said election, and shall be governed by the same rules and regulations as are provided in the City Charter for the annual charter elections.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the Board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the Board of Education from the Fourth Ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Alexander Ramsay.

Ald. Clarke and Drayton were appointed and acted as Tellers.

Five unsuccessful ballotings were had as follows:

First balloting.

M. S. Wickware received six votes.

W. B. Dunning received two votes.

J. V. Hardenbergh received one vote.
D. E. Culver received one vote.

Second balloting

M S Wickware received eight votes.
W B Dunning received two votes.
D E Culver received one vote.

Third balloting

M S Wickware received seven votes.
W B Dunning received two votes.
D E Culver received two votes.

Fourth balloting

M S Wickware received eight votes.
D E Culver received two votes.
W B Dunning received one vote.

Fifth balloting

M S Wickware received seven votes.
E Culver received three votes.
W B Dunning received one vote.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrel the further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Ald. Edge the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk,

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, December 2d 1856. at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—The President and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb. Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Gardner, and Insley.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 18th ultimo, and of the adjourned regular meeting held on the 25th ultimo, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows.

Petition of John Gallagher for a license to peddle fish, fruit, meat and vegetables. Ref to Com on Police and Licenses.

Petition of Joseph Dixon and others to have shade trees, planted in and around Van Vorst Square. Ref to Com on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Communication from William Keeney asking that the proposed sewer in South Third street be constructed or that the money deposited by him to defray the preliminary expenses be refunded. Laid upon the table.

Communication from Hon D. S. Manners declining the office of Water Commissioner. Ordered filed.

Communication from Wm. Bain, complaining of injuries received by him, in consequence of the negligent condition of the street in front of the new buildings in York street near Henderson street, &c. Ref to Com. on streets.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of E. Coles, $32 50; Wm. Keeney & John R. Halladay, $22 30; I. B & D. E. Culver, $3 75; and Alexander Love, $1 50. Ref to Committee on Streets.

Of Jersey City Cemetery Company, $79 00; Drayton and Durant, $76 62; Jacob Erwin, $88 58; and Isaac Wakefield, $18 91. Ref to Committee on Alms.

Of J. F. Richardson, $34 50; and Hugh Billingsly, $28 00. Ref to com. on Lamps.

Of Quaife & Otley, $50 00; and J. F. Richardson, $10 00. Ref to com on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Isaac Van Saun, $400 00; and William Sanderson, $25 00; Ref to Com on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Daily Telegraph, $4 00; referred to Com on Finance.

Of Police Department, $944 01; referred to Com on Police and Licenses, subsequently reported correct, the rules suspended to enable the Board to audit the claim, and the same ordered paid.

Of John R. Halladay, $2053 48; referred to Com on Streets, subsequently reported correct, and then referred to the committee on Assesements to be assessed.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Passaic Ice Company, $12 94; Smith Mead, $4 90; E. D. Reily, $28 83; D. Bedford, $10 50; Fidelity Division, $75 00; A. Love, $2 00; Moses Swett, $79 92; and W. Whitley, $20 00.

The following claims and accounts, referred to the Committee on Streets at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and referred to the committee on assessments to be issued, viz:

Of I. B & D. E. Culver, $46 00; E. Coles, $21.50; E. Coles, $69 00; E. N. Cleveland, $32 50; William Keeney and John R Halladay, $2002 39; J. R. Halladay, $2367 33; William Moore, $86 25; and William Moore, $46.25.

The committee on Streets reported as incorrect the claim of John R. Halladay, for $1943 07, referred to them on the 18th ultimo. Report accepted and adopted.

The claim of F. Bradt & Co., for $5 00; referred to committee on Fire and Water on the 18th ultimo, was returned by that committee, and then referred to the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The claim of R. & J. McLaughlin, for $10 50. referred to the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings on the 4th ultimo, was returned by that committee, and then referred to the committee on Police and Licenses.

The Com on Laws and Ordinances, reported correct and recommended the payment of the claims referred to them on the 21st October last of Daily Telegraph for $111 93; and W. T. Rodgers, Junior for $10 00. Reports received. and the claims referred to a Special Committee consisting of Ald Drayton, Wilson and Tilden.

The claim of Clerk & Bacot. amounting to $300 00 for surveys &c, for the opening of Montgomery street presented on the 21st December 1852, was taken from the table and refused to a special Committee consisting of Ald Thompson, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Requisitions were presented from the Board of Education for payment of the following claims, viz.

Of Daily Telegraph $9 82; C. Shepherd & Co., $278 63. Warrants were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of said claimants for the amount of their claims.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney reporting that the Supreme Court of New Jersey have reversed the verdict given in the Hudson Circuit Court against the city in the suit of Stephen Quaife, and have awarded a new trial.

Communication received, and referred to the Common Laws and Ordinances.

The Recorder's second quarterly report, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the published proceedings of the Common Council

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

In pursuance of the Charter and obligation imposed upon me as Recorder of the city of Jersey City, I must respectfully beg leave to submit unto your honorable body, my second quarterly report ending October 31st. 1856.

There were arrested by the night Watch and Police in the month of August Fifty six persons who were disposed of as follows:

Seven were fined two Dollars each.
One " twenty dollars.
Five committed to City Prison.
Sixteen " County Jail.
Two held to Bail to appear at the sessions.
Five committed in default of Bail.
Two sent to the Alms House.
Eighteen discharged

There were arrested by the night Watch and Police in the month of September Ninety one persons who were disposed of as follows.

Twelve were fined two dollars each.
Twelve committed to City Prison.
Twenty eight " County Jail.
One fined ten dollars.
Five held to Bail to appear at the sessions.
Three committed in default of bail.
Three were sent to the Alms House.
Twenty seven discharged.

There were arrested by the night Watch and Police in the month of October, one hundred and ten persons who were disposed of as follows:

Twenty nine were fined two dollars each.
One " five dollars.
One " ten dollars.
Twenty four committed to City Prison.
Eighteen " to County Jail.
Two held to bail to appear at the sessions.
Five Committed in default of bail.
Thirty discharged.

The total amount of fines received during the second quarter ending October 31st 1856, being one hundred and Forty one dollars. I have paid the same to the City Treasurer. All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID BEDFORD, Recorder.

A statement by the Chief of Police, of the arrests, &c., made during the month of November last, was presented, received, and ordered to be printed in the published proceedings of the Common Council.

Said statement being as follows:

You will please find below a statement of arrests, &c., made during the month of November.

Arrests	115
Lodgers	133
Houses reported as selling liquor	77
" " " " " and gambling	1
Fined each $10 00 for selling liquor	2
Children found and returned to parents	5
Officers making full time	14
" sick in the month	6
" away without permit	2
" resigned	2

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

THOS. B. KISSAM, Chief of Police.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy, and said report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Board of Council of Jersey City, that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twenty days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, December 2, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have the sidewalks and crosswalks, or such parts of them as are now of insufficient width or out of repair, in Newark Avenue from Warren street to Jersey Avenue, laid or relaid with flagging to the full width of the sidewalks.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have the side walks and cross walks or such parts of them as are now of insufficient width or out of repair, in Newark Avenue from Warren street to Jersey Avenue, laid or relaid with flagging to the full width of the sidewalks, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in December next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.; at which time it will hear and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing to the said improvement

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, Dec. 2, 1856 td

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy, and the report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel, for twenty days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, Dec. 2, 1856

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have Coles street between South 5th street and Newark Avenue brought to the established grade, paved, curbed, and guttered, and bridge stone cross walks laid at the intersections, and the sidewalks flagged on both sides four feet wide, where said work has not already been done.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have Coles street between South 5th street and Newark Avenue brought to the established grade, paved, curbed and guttered and bridge stone cross walks laid at the intersections, and the sidewalks flagged on both sides four feet wide, where said work has not already been done, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in December next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.; at which time it will hear and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing to the said improvement.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, November 5th, 1856. td

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy, and said report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twenty-four days previous to this date.

Dated Jersey City, December 2d, 1856.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—SCHOLARSHIP in Columbia College Notice is hereby given that the Common Council of Jersey City, will, at its regular meeting, on the first Tuesday in December next, receive applications for the appointment to the Scholarship, held by the City in Columbia College, in the city of New York, which is now vacant; and that the Common Council will at that meeting proceed to make the appointment in the manner required by the ordinance passed March 26, 1847, entitled "An ordinance concerning the appointment of a student to the scholarship in Columbia College."

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Jersey City, November 8, 1856. td

The committee on Public Health, to whom was referred on the 7th October last, the communication of Daniel Crane in reference to his grievances against the Morris Canal Company, presented a report recommending that the Street Commissioner be instructed to enquire into the matter complained of, and order the removal of any incumbrance or the abatement of any nuisance on Bergen street, &c. Report received and recommendation adopted.

The committee on Schools to whom were referred in August and September last the applications of Miles S Chambers and Wm. R. Hillyer for the appointment to the vacant scholarship in Columbia College, returned said applications, and they were laid on the table.

On motion of Ald. Tilden it was

Resolved, That William R. Hillyer be appointed to the Scholarship held in Columbia College by the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

On motion of Ald McComb, it was

Resolved, That a warrant for forty-five dollars and fifty cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Ætna Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, in payment of the amount for renewal of policy on Public School House, No. 1.

Ald Thurston offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the time for receiving proposals by the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and Street Commissioner, for grading Hamilton Square, in accordance with a resolution passed Nov. 25th, 1856, be extended to the next meeting of this Board.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Commissioners of Assessments be and are hereby authorized to employ a suitable person to serve personal notices of assessments for improvements, and that said person be paid a per diem allowance, upon the certificate of said Board of Commissioners of Assessments.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald Thompson, it was

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to have printed two thousand blank notices for the Board of Commissioners for Assessments, of the form which they shall furnish.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution, and the same was adopted:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to publish in the Corporation Paper for the length of time required by the City Charter, a list of unredeemed property sold February 15, 1855, for assessments.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution and the same was rejected:

Resolved, That all proceedings here tofore had by this Common Council touching the construction of

sewers in Newark Avenue, South 3d street and Wayne street, be and they are hereby rescinded, and the Board of Water Commissioners are hereby requested to suspend all their proceedings connected with said improvements, and to return to this Board all papers which have been transmitted by it to said Board of Water Commissioners, concerning the above designated improvements.

Ald Erwin presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table, viz:

"An ordinance to repeal and modify a portion of an ordinance, entitled 'An ordinance to suppress vice and immorality,' approved July 4th, 1855."

On motion of Ald Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Special Meeting at the City Clerk's office, Wednesday, December 10th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., called by his Honor the Mayor, at the request of Ald. Thompson, McComb and Erwin, for the purpose of receiving and acting upon the proposals received for the contract to make City Map, &c.

Present—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Gardner, McComb, Thompson, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Hoffman, Insley, Thurston and Wilson.

The call of the meeting was read.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the proposals which had been presented to him.

On motion of Ald. Thompson, it was

Resolved, That the proposals which have been received, be opened and read.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from the following named persons:

J. V. Meserole; Wm. F. Terrell; Austin D. Ewen; William Perris; Quaife & Otley; J. C Buckhout & F. C. Strype; Robert C. Bacot; Wm. H. Wood; Wm. Day; Ernest Hexamer; I. B. & D. E. Culver; Egbert D. Viele & J. B. Bacon.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, the proposals were referred to the Committee on Assessments, and to his Honor the Mayor, with instructions to report upon them at the next regular meeting of the Common Council.

On motion of Ald. McComb the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, December 16th, 1856, at 7½ o'clock P. M,

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Inslev, McComb, Thompson, Thurston Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Edge and Gardner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 2 1 instant, were read and approved. The minutes of the Special Meeting of the 10th inst. were read, and on motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on the 10th inst., be amended so as to read that "the proposals were referred to the Committee on Assessments, to the President of the Common Council, and to his Honor, the Mayor, with instructions to report upon them at the next regular meeting of the Common Council."

The minutes of the special meeting of the 10th instant as amended were then approved.

Petitions, communications etc, were presented received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of John Pringle and others to have a lamp and light provided for Bright street, between Grove and Barrow streets. On motion of Ald Erwin, it was

Resolved, That the petition of John Pringle and others to have a lamp and light provided for Bright Street, between Grove and Barrow Streets, be referred to the Committee on Lamps with power.

Petition of Stephen Quaife to be allowed the amount of his original claim, for services as Commissioner of Assessments of cost of building the Essex street; sewer

Ref to committee on assessments.

Communication from Wm Bain in reference to the injuries received by him in York street. Ordered to be returned to Mr. Bain.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of T. B. Kissam, $51.75; and McGuigan & Nugent, $12 81. Ref to com. on Police and Licenses.

Of James McLaughlin, $10 55. Ref to com. on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $46 66; and Isaac Wakefield, $35 75. Ref to Com. on Lamps.

Of C. N. Betts, $6 50, E. Hope, junior $2 50; C. N. Betts, $22 26; and Ingham & Hall, $1 50, Ref to com. on Alms.

Of Jersey City Gas Light Co., $15 17; James McLaughlin, $56 97; James McLaughlin, $2 63; Perrine & Culver, $10 50; and McGuigan & Nugent $19 61. Ref to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Charles Kalbach, $3 00; Frederick Porrett, $179 91; Hover & Horner, $40 00; John Marshall, $18 12; T. S. Shaw, $16 00; McGuigan & Nugent $42 23; and Jersey City Gas Light Company, $70. 21. Ref to Com. on Fire and Water.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, reported correct, and ordered paid, the rules having first been suspended to enable the Board to audit said claims:

Of Joshua A. French, $64 16; Solomon Vanderbeek, $1 50; Jasper Wandle, $31 25; Jasper Wandle, $31 25; Nathaniel Ellis, $125 00; D S. Gregory, $210 00; Thomas B. Kissam, $5 23; W. H. Dame, $14 25; James Clarke, $57 00; J. F. Richardson, $151 75; and William Eaton, $20 50.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at previous meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Keeney & Halladay, $22 80; I. B & D. E. Culver, $3 75; Isaac Wakefield, $15 91; Jersey City Cemetery Company, $79 00; Drayton & Durant, $76 62; William Sanderson, $25 00; Isaac Van Saun, $400 00; Quaife & Otley, $50 00; J. F. Richardson, $10 00; E. D. Reily, $1 37; Hugh Billingsley, $28 00; J. F. Richardson, $34 50; E. C. Pratt, $56 50; R. B. Kashow, $35 11; Daily Telegraph, $4 00; E. C. Pratt, $31 50; R. B. Kashow, $2 00; J. V. Hardenbergh, $1 50; W. C. Morris, $83 23; W. H. Wood, $25 00; and Alexander Love, $1 50.

The claim of F. Bradt & Co, amounting to $5 00 referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings on the 2d instant was reported correct for $3.00 and that amount was ordered paid, and the claim of Jacob Erwin, amounting to $88.58 referred to the Committee on Alms on the 2d instant was reported correct for $88.80 and that amount was ordered paid.

A communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor as Chairman of the Charter Convention which met last winter in answer to the resolution of the Common Council recently passed a calling for a report, setting forth that the convention did not complete its duties, &c.

Communication received, and on motion of Ald. Wilson, it was

Resolved, That the Committee be continued, and that the President of the Common Council, be requested to fill the vacancies in said Committee.

A communication from the Secretary of Engine Company No. 2, in reference to the action of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department in cutting the drag rope of the Hose Carriage to twenty feet in length &c., were presented, received, and laid upon the table.

A communication from the Board of Education of which the following is a copy, was presented, received and warrants for the amounts of the requisitions were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants respectively named.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office on Tuesday evening Dec, 9 at 7½ o'clock

Requisitions were ordered to be made upon the Common Council, by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken for the following amounts and in favor of the following persons.

Cronham & Wetterson for glazing in colored school,	$0 75
Cronham & Wetterson for glazing and painting in No. 1,	$10 89
George Coleman repairing seat in No. 1,	2 81
Wm. Coleman repairs in No. 1.	42 18
Wm. Coleman repairs in No 2	8 88
H. M Soule paid, cleaning and repairing lightning rod No 2	18 00
T. T. Lacy, removing and sifting ashes in No. 2	4 00
Frederick Boyes Fuel to Dec. 4 inst	105 00
Rea and Pollock Plumbing	5 16
E. P. Torrey rent colored school room 6 months to Nov. 1 1856	50 00
C. Van Vorst school house Mercer street 6 months to May 1st 1856	75 00
Wm. Powell repairs &c., to colored school house	17 06

Also the following Preamble and resolution were adopted.

Whereas—A class has been organized in the City Alms House which has for some time been under the instruction of Charles Sisson, whose services are found of much value to the children; and application has been made to the Board of Education to employ said Sisson from the first of December instant to the first of May next as an Instructer of said class, at the rate of $8 per month

And,

Whereas, this Board, cannot find in the ordinance whereby it was organized any warrants for engaging the service of any instructor outside of the Public Schools.

Therefore,

Resolved, That we do recommend to the Common Council to continue Mr. Sisson in his present situation as such instructor at the above rate of compensation from Dec. 1 to May 1.

P. D VROOM, Clerk.

Ald. Erwin offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Board of Education is hereby authorized to employ Charles Sisson as Instructor to the children at the Alms House, until the first day of May next, at a compensation of eight dollars per month, from the 1st December instant, he having been engaged in such duty from that date.

A communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing a subpœna in Chancery served upon him as a defendant in the suit of Hartman Van Wagoner, complainant, and Hugh McFadden and others, defendants, was presented, received, and referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

A communication was presented from A. B. Reynolds, Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, containing charges against P. Donnelly, I. Wakefield and C. Duncan, of running the tender to Fire Engine Company. No. 2, on the sidewalk, and of disobedience of his orders.

Received and referred to a special committee, consisting of Ald Tilden, Insley and Wilson.

A communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing that he has suspended from duty, Hudson Hose Company, No. 1, and Engine Company No. 3, for their riotous conduct on the evening of the 13th instant, was presented, received, and laid upon the table.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the election of H. O'Neil as a member of Engine Company No. 5; the resignation of David McNamara and Geo Mollerieux from Engine Company, No 5; the resignation of Patrick Buckley from Engine Company No. 2, and the expulsion of Edward Capron, by Engine Company, No. 5.

Communications received, the election approved, and the proper entries of said returns ordered to be made.

The City Treasurer's reports for October and November last, showing a balance in the Treasury on the 1st December instant of $7241 05, were presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The special committee, to whom was referred on the 2d instant, the claim of Clerk & Bacot, amounting to $300 00, for surveys for opening, &c., of Montgomery street, presented a report, setting forth that after consulting with the claimants, the committee report the bill correct for $200 00.

Report received, and a warrant for $200 00 ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in payment of the claim.

The Committee on Finance presented a report on the subject of the indebtedness of the City to the Board of Water Commissioners, and the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn upon the City Treasurer, under the direction of the Finance Com., in favor of the Jersey City Water Commissioners for the sum of seventeen thousand dollars.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred on the 2d instant, the communication of Wm. Bain, complaining of injuries received by him in consequence of the negligent condition of the street in front of the new buildings in York street, near Henderson street, verbally reported that they have made inquiries respecting the matter, and have ascertained that no blame can be attached to the parties whose duty it was to place the necessary lights &c., at the place named, as all necessary precautions were taken by them to prevent accidents to passers by.

Report received and accepted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 14th October last the petition of Daniel Soule and Evan Jones to have South Second Street, between the easterly line of Monmouth Street and the northerly line of Newark Avenue, filled in and brought to the established grade, presented a report in favor of the proposed improvement, and the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling up to the established grade, South Second Street, between the easterly line of Monmouth Street, and the northerly line of Newark Avenue."

The report was received, and the ordinance was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred on the 4th day of November last the petition of Jacob Kornakrenz and others to have Coles street between South 5th street and Newark Avenue, filled to the established grade, paved, curbed and guttered, and bridge stone crosswalks laid at the intersections, and the sidewalks flagged on both sides four feet wide, where said work has not already been done, presented a report in favor of the proposed improvement, and the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling to the established grade paving, curbing, guttering and laying cross walks and flagging side walks in Coles street, between South 5th street and Newark Avenue, where said work has not already been done."

The report was received, and the ordinance laid upon the table

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred on the 28th day of October last, the petition of James Fitzgerald, and others to have the side walks and cross walks or such parts of them as are now of insufficient width or out of repair in Newark Avenue from Warren street to Jersey Avenue, laid or relaid with flagging to the full width of the side walks, presented a report in favor of the proposed improvements, and the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the flagging, where the same is not flagged, widening the flagging where the same is not of sufficient width, and repairing the flagging and cross walks, where the same are out of repair in Newark Avenue, from the westerly side of Warren street, to the easterly side of Jersey Avenue on both sides."

The report was received, and the ordinance laid upon the table.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report on the proposals referred to them on the 10th inst., for the contract to make a city map, returning the proposals, and recommending that a contract be made without reference to the proposals which have been received, the report being accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Assessments in connection with his Honor the Mayor, and the President of this Board, be and are hereby authorized to contract with any responsible and competent Surveyor, for the survey of this city and the completion of an assessment map, agreeable to specifications furnished Nov. 26, 1856, at a cost not to exceed three thousand dollars.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police and Licenses to whom was referred on the 2d instant, the petition of John Gallagher for a license to peddle fish, fruit, meat and vegetables, reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioner.

Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Police and Licenses to whom was referred on the 2d inst., the claim of R. & J. McLaughlin, for $10 50, returned the same and it was referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William A. Cummings for ten thousand dollars, on account of his bill for regulating Prospect st from Pavonia Ave. to Newark Ave., and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Nays—None.
Absent—Ald. Edge and Gardner.
Ald Thompson offered the following resolution.
Resolved, That the resolution passed November 18th, 1856, confirming the assessment for regulating Prospect Street, and the resolution passed at the same meeting, ordering improvement Certificates to be issued in favor of parties who have presented claims on said improvement, be, and they are hereby rescinded in consequence of errors in the said resolution.
The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.
Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.
Nays—None
Absent—Ald. Edge and Gardner.
Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Prospect Street between Pavonia Avenue, and one hundred feet north of North Sixth Street, including all intersections, and that said Assessment be confirmed.
The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.
Yeas—The President, Ald Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.
Nays—None.
Absent—Ald. Edge, and Gardner.
Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver, for seventeen dollars, being the amount of their bill for surveys and maps of Prospect Street, between Pavonia Avenue, and one hundred feet north of North Sixth Street, and that His Honor, the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.
The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:
Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.
Nays—None.
Absent.—Ald. Edge, and Gardner.
Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That an Improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of James S. Noyes, for twenty-five hundred and 29-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Prospect Street, between Pavonia Avenue, and one hundred feet north of North Sixth Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.
The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:
Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.
Nays—None.
Absent—Ald. Edge and Gardner.
Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of John M. Leonard, for twenty-five dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending work on Prospect Street, between Pavonia Avenue and one hundred feet north of North Sixth Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.
The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:
Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.
Nays—None.
Absent—Ald. Edge and Gardner.
Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:
Resolved, that an Improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver, for sixty-eight dollars, being the amount of their bill for surveys and maps for work on Prospect Street, between Pavonia Avenue, and one hundred feet north of North Sixth Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.
The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:
Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.
Nays—None.
Absent—Ald. Edge, and Gardner.
Ald. McComb, from the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings presented a policy of Insurance on the Hook and Ladder House No. 2. and the following resolution.
Resolved, That a warrant for nine dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Stuyvesant Insurance Company of New York, in payment of the premium on policy of Insurance on Hook and Ladder House No. 2 the 4th ward, effected with said insurance company by the Committee on Public grounds and buildings.
The policy of insurance was ordered filed, and the resolution was adopted.
The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings reported four sealed proposals received by them for the contract to grade, &c., Hamilton Square.
The proposals were opened, read and found to be from Keeney & Halladay, Charles G. Sisson, James S. Noyes, and P McPharlin.
On motion of Ald. McComb it was
Resolved, That the proposals which have been received from Keeney & Halladay, Charles G. Sisson James S. Noyes, and P. McPharlan for grading &c., Hamilton Square be referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings with authority to make a contract with the lowest of said bidders, provided the Committee deem it to the interests of the city to make such contract.
The Committee on Finance reported adversely to the payment of the claim of Peter Dolan, amounting to $10.00 referred to them on the 28th day of October last.
Report received and adopted.
Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That a warrant for two hundred and ninety eight dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George Quaife & Co., for the second and last payment due to them on their contract for carpenters' work of the hook and ladder house No. 2, in the 4th ward.
The resolution was adopted.
Ald. Cobb offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow of the "Trustees of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund Association," the sum of one thousand dollars and that a bond be issued for said sum, payable in six months, with interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum and to be dated December 18th, 1856. And that his honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.
The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:
Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.
Nays—None.
Absent—Ald. Edge, and Gardner.
On motion of Ald. Thompson it was
Resolved that a bond be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Andrew Clerke for $1500.00 payable in one year from the time when the improvement certificate held by him for the assessment for improvement in Grand street with in-

terest at the rate of seven per cent per annum, in payment of said improvement certificate, and that a bond for $500.00 be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of Andrew Clerke, in payment of a second improvement certificate held by him for same improvement, to be dated when the said Improvement certificate falls due, and to be drawn payable in one year with interest at seven per cent.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, and Gardner.

(Ald. Thompson obtained leave and retired.)

Ald Tyrrel offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Attorney be directed to collect from the applicants for the opening of Montgomery Street in 1852, a sufficient sum to reimburse the City Treasury for moneys paid for the surveys and assessments maps, &c., preliminary to the opening of said Street.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the amount of one thousand dollars which it is proposed to borrow of the Fire Department Fund Association, be appropriated for the erection of a house in the Third Ward, for the use of Passaic Hose Company No. 4.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Insley presented the following communication, which was read, and referred to a special committee consisting of Ald Tyrrell. Erwin and Thurston.

The undersigned believing that all appointed to office, and receiving their pay from the public treasury, are bound by their oath, to be guided by the laws and ordinances of the city, and to obey all orders directed to them, feels compelled, in his official capacity, to prefer charges for "neglect of duty" against Thos. B. Kissam, Chief of Police.

First—In not making his report to the Common Council at their first meeting in November, as required by the ordinance establishing the day and night police.

On the 18th day of Nov., he did make a report, but omitted to report as required by the 9th section of the ordinance, "the situation of all gambling and tippling houses, and all places where spirituous o intoxicating liquors are sold without a license, to gether with the names of the persons keeping the same," which report was read and referred back to that officer, with instructions to make a full report as required by the ordinance regulating the Police Department.

Second—That the Chief has treated with utter indifference the above resolution of the Common Council, directing him to amend his report, but in its stead on the 2d of December reported the business for the month of November, not required by the resolution or the ordinance.

There are fifteen omnibusses leaving the foot of Montgomery st., at intervals of a few minutes—for not one of which has the ten dollars been paid into the City Treasury, for a license, as required by the ordinance.

There are also not less than two hundred and ten persons in the city keeping places where intoxicating liquors are sold, nine of whom have paid their one hundred dollars, and taken out a license to legalize their business; and who expect, and should receive the protection of the authorities, for their monies so paid in The balance are defying the laws and the authorities, while the Police are monthly arresting about one hundred drunken, wretched, helpless men and women, who are the victims of this horrid traffic.

Third—To compel obedience to the laws, the Common Council, on the 15th of October, by a vote 11 to 1. passed a resolution directing "That the Chief of Police enter complaint against all persons found violating the ordinances concerning Inns and Taverns, Omnibusses and Hacks, and any other city ordinance. This resolution as far as relates to omnibusses and Inns and Taverns, I charge that the Chief has failed, and refused to obey.

All of which is respectfully submitted, and asks for a speedy investigation.

H. E. INSLEY.

Jersey City, Dec. 16, 1856.

On motion of Ald. Clarke, the President was requested to fill the vacancy in the chairmanship in the Committee on Laws and Ordinances, whereupon Ald Tilden was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Ald. Tilden presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table, viz:

"An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance passed August 26, 1854, entitled "An ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day and night Police""

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 28th October last, a petition of Garret E Winants, to have refunded $54 74, overpaid by him for taxes, reported in favor of granting the prayer of said petitioner, and recommended that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Garret E. Winants for that amount.

Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets reported as correct the claim of Edward Coles, amounting to $32 50, for surveys &c., on Monmouth street, between South Second and South Eighth streets, referred to them on the 2d inst.

Report received, and claim referred to the committee on Assessments to be assessed.

On motion of Ald. Erwin the following entitled ordinance presented on the 2d inst., was taken from the table, viz;

"An ordinance to repeal ann modify a portion of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to suppress vice and immorality" approved July 4th 1855.

The ordinance was amended, and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Hoffman, McComb, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—The President, and Ald. Insley.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Thomrson.

On motion of Ald. Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Special meeting at the City Clerk's office, Friday, January 2d, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Ald. Erwin, Hoffman, and Thurston.

The call of the meeting was read, and is as follows:

JERSEY CITY, January 2d, 1857.

HON. D. S. MANNERS,

Mayor of Jersey City:

Dear Sir—Will you do us the favor to order a special meeting of the Common Council, to be held at the City Clerk's office this evening, at seven o'clock, for the purpose of giving out a contract for the City Maps, to receive and pass a resolution, authorizing the Committee on Finance, to borrow money in anticipation of Assessments for improvements to receive the Collector of Taxes' list of delinquents, direct the advertisement and sale of property on which the taxes have not been paid, and the issuing of a tax warrant thereon; and to receive from the President of the Common Council his announcement of appointments to fill vacancies in the Charter Convention.

We are your's very respectfully,

J. R. THOMPSON,

LOUIS B. COBB,

ALEXANDER WILSON.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, Esq., City Clerk.

Dear Sir—In compliance with the above request, you will please notify the members of the Common Council, that there will be a special meeting of the Common Council at the time and place, and for the objects specified in the above communication.

Yours respectfully,

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Mayor's office, Jersey City, Jan. 2d, 1857.

Ald. Cobb offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City are authorised by a supplement to the charter, passed 26th of February, 1853, to borrow money in anticipation of the collection of any assessment for street improvements. And,

Whereas, Certain improvement certificates are about falling due for the improvement of Grand street between Jersey street and Mill Creek, and the collection on such assessment being insufficient to meet them therefore

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be and are hereby authorized to borrow in anticipation of the collection of said assessment such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet such deficiency, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to affix the seal of the city to such bonds as may be issued for the above object.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Erwin, Hoffman, Thompson and Thurston.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the Collector of Taxes' list of delinquents.

Ald. Cobb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Collector of Taxes' return of delinquents, be referred to the Committee on Finance with instructions to advertise and sell according to law, the property upon which the taxes for the present year are unpaid, and that said list or return be delivered to Peter D. Vroom, Esquire, Justice of the Peace, for the purpose of issuing a tax warrant thereon to be directed and delivered to the Collector of arrears of taxes.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Erwin, Hoffman, Thompson and Thurston.

The President announced the appointments to fill the vacancies from the Common Council in the Charter Committee. The Committee on the part of the Common Council now being as follows:

Ald. Thompson, Clarke, Wilson, Erwin, Insley, Drayton, Hoffman and Tilden.

On motion of Ald. Insley, the President of the Common Council was added to the Committee as one of its members.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, it was

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to fill the vacancies in the Charter Convention, which exist on the part of the citizens.

(Ald. Thompson appeared and took his seat)

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented contracts with Egbert L. Viele, for making a survey and maps of the city, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the contracts which have been presented by the Committee on Assessments at this meeting of the Common Council, with Egbert L. Viele, to make a survey and maps of the City, be approved, and that when they shall have been executed by the said Egbert L. Viele, that said contracts be executed on the part of the City by his Honor the Mayor and the City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city; and that when executed, one of said contracts be filed in the Comptroller's office, and the other be delivered to Mr. Viele.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Erwin, Hoffman and Thurston.

On motion of Ald. Clarke, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular Meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, January 6th, 1857 at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President, Davenport; and Ald. Clarke Cobb, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent.—Ald. Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner and McComb.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 16th ultimo, and of the special meeting of the 2d instant, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of William White and others to have side walks flagged in Grand street between Warren and Van Vorst streets. Ref to Com on streets.

Petition of John Francisco to be appointed Pound Keeper. Laid upon the table.

Petition of the Vestry, of St. Peter's and St Mary's churches to have refunded monies paid for taxes of 1855 assessed upon their Church property. Ref to a Special Committee, consisting of Ald Tyrrell, Thompson, and Thurston.

Notice from Ætna Insurance Company, of Hartford Connecticut, of the expiration of policy of insurance on Firemen's Certificate Plate. Com on Public Grounds and Buildings instructed to renew the policy of insurance.

Ald. Thompson presented a draft of a memorial to the Legislature for the passage of an act to authorize the closing of that portion of Gregory Street, which lies east of Van Vorst Street, upon the extension of Montgomery Street. Ref to the Charter Convention, with a request that they embody the memorial in their amendments to the Charter.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of F. Annes, $18.23; W. W Lee, $3 93; J. B. Haight, $27.94; H. A Miller $15 70; A. B. Reynolds $22.95; J. Marshall, $50 25; R. B. Earle & Co. $9.00 J. B Haight, $1.12; J. Shipley, $92.16; J. B. Haight $ 1.48; W. B. Dunning, $10.00; S. A. French, $29.76; and C. E. Kallenback, $3 50. Ref to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of W H. Dame, $51.31; G. W. Whitley, $33.00, C. T. Gardner, $91.54; J. Pringle, 19,33; Drayton & Durant, $108.69; and R. B. Earle & Co., $15.38. Ref to Com. on Alms.

Of W. Eyton, $20.50; J. F. Richardson, $37 25, H. Billingsley, $31 50; H. A. Miller, $13 31; H. A. Miller, $189.45; W. W. Lee, $198. 4; and H. A. Miller, $139 80. Ref to Com. on Lamps.

Of R. B. Earle & Co., $2 44; D. Gould, $21.00; E. Pray, $21 00; J. Flemming, $21.00; and P. D. Vroom, $500.00. Ref to Com. on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of W. W. Lee, $16.34. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Of R. B. Earle & Co., $1.00. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of A. Love, $2.00 Ref. to Com. on Public Health.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 1st instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Dec. 31, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I return without my approval a resolution authorizing the Board of Education to employ Charles Sisson, as teacher or instructor to the children of the Alms House, until the first of May next, at a compensation of eight dollars per month, from the first of December inst, he having been engaged in such duty from that date.

However laudable the object of the resolution, I can find no authority by which the Board of Education could employ Mr. Sisson as a public teacher for the Alms House and pay him out of the appropriation set apart for the support of the Public Schools. And the Common Council surely has no power to draw for the proposed object, from any other appropriation. It can only be necessary to direct your attention to the Charter and to the Ordinance defining the powers and duties of the Board of Education, to convince you of the propriety of the course I have been compelled to adopt in relation to the resolution before me.

D S. MANNERS.

Ald. Wilson moved, "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—None.

Nays—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Hoffman, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Absent—Ald Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner and McComb.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office on the 1st instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
JERSEY CITY, Dec. 31, 1856.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have received, and herewith return without my approval a resolution adopted by your Honorable Body appropriating the thousand dollars recently borrowed of the "Fire Department Fund Association" for the term of six months, towards the erection of a House in the Third Ward for the use of Passaic Hose Company No 4

No legal measures have been taken as I am aware under the special act, which provide for the purchase of grounds, and the erection of public buildings, to procure a house and lot for this Company, nor was any provision made for this object in the Tax ordinance for the current year, therefore I can not concur in the propriety of setting apart the temporary loan in question, which is payable in six months, for the purpose of building this Company a house—which work can not be commenced during the current year, unless the necessary amount could be borrowed under the authority of the special act, above referred to, and in such case the city would pay interest on the amount of this appropriation, without deriving any benefit therefrom, until such time, as the work could be commenced, for the charter expressly directs, that whenever any specific appropriation is made, the expenditures under it, shall be confined to the object therein specified, and be appropriated to no other.

Under these circumstances I return the resolution for re-consideration.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Wilson moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was laid upon the table on motion of Ald. Tyrrell.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the third quarterly report of the Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures, which was recieved and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

The City Treasurer's report for December, 1856, showing a balance in the Treasury on the 1st of January, of $4574.76, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance

A communication was presented from the City Treasurer enclosing a subpœna in Chancery served upon him in the suit of Susan P. Perry, complainant, and George W. Dempsey and wife and others, defendants. Received, and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Two communications were presented from the Comptroller, giving notice of the expiration of the time for payment of sundry Improvement Certificates. Received and referred to Com. on Finance.

A communication was presented from the Clerk of

the Board of Water Commissioners, containing an extract from their minutes respecting the proceedings relating to the construction of Sewers in South 7th Street, Wayne Street, Newark and Railroad Avenues, and in South 3d Street, and returning the resolutions of the Common Council touching said improvements. Communication and accompanying papers received and ordered filed.

A communication from the Secretary of Hose Company No. 2, announcing the election of Robert S. Gilman as a member of said Company, and asking that he be allowed full time from the date of his old certificate of membership, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Communications from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the following elections in that Department, were presented, received, and laid upon the table:

Of John W. Combs, by Engine Co. No. 1; William H. Burgee, by Hook & Ladder Co., No. 2; Jacob Frank and Christian Anheiter, by Hose Co. No 4; and David Evans, Frederick Hauteb, William Sherherd, Abraham Gerrabrant, Joseph Selew, and Robert Gillman, by Hose Co., No. 2.

A communication was presented from the Corporation Attorney, accompanied by the map of Hamilton Square, which by resolution of September 9th, 1856 he was directed to procure. Received, and the map ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Ald. Hoffman, from the Committee on Fire and Water, presented an ordinance for the regulation of the Fire Department of Jersey City, which was received, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed and lying for the use of the Common Council.

Ald. Thurston, from the Committee on Streets, presented the following entitled ordinance, which was received and laid upon the table, viz:

"An Ordinance concerning snow and ice."

Ald. Insley, from the Committee on Alms, presented two sealed proposals received for the contract to supply meat at the Alms House, which were ordered to be opened and read, and were found to be from Jacob Erwin and Henry Taylor.

On motion of Ald. Insley, it was

Resolved, That the proposals of Jacob Erwin and Henry Taylor, to supply meat at the Alms House which have been opened and read at this meeting of the Common Council, be referred to the Committee on Alms with authority to contract with the lower bidder if the Committee deem it the interests of the city to do so.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the Board of Commissioners for Assessments' report, map and schedule for the improvement of Warren street, from Morgan street to Montgomery street, including intersections, and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper that the Assessors' Report and map for regulating Warren st. from Morgan street to Montgomery street, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in January, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Cobb from the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, presented contract executed by James S. Noyes for the grading, &c., of Hamilton Square and a bond executed by James S. Noyes and John R. Halladay for the faithful performance of said contract; and on motion of Ald Cobb it was

Resolved, That the contracts with James S Noyes, for the regulating, grading, &c., of Hamilton Square, be executed on the part of the City, by His Honor, the Mayor under the City Seal, and that the bond executed by James S. Noyes and John R. Halladay, for the faithful performance of said contract be approved and filed in the Comptroller's Office.

Ald. Cobb, from the Special Committee to whom was referred on the 27th of May last, the communication of Wm. H. Wood, City Surveyor, in reference to his proposed map of the city, returned the communication and it was ordered filed.

Ald Cobb from the Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 5th August last the communication of the City Treasurer in reference to moneys placed in his hand by I. W. Scudder, Esq. for the redemption of property belonging to the Estate of Corrigan, sold for taxes and assessments, returned said communication, and verbally reported that the matter has been settled. Communication ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 21st October last the claim of William Flitcroft, for paving in Grand Street, amounting to $24 00 reported the claim correct and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for the within bill be drawn in favor of Daniel Smith, surviving partner of William Flitcroft, deceased, as appears by the affidavit hereto annexed. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate Committees, reported correct and ordered paid, the rules having first been suspended to enable the Board to audit said claims.

Of Police Department $472 88; J. F. Richardson $3 50; W. W. Lee $3.12; Hover & Horner $4 50; Nathaniel Ellis $39 68.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of McGuigan & Nugent $12.81; Isaac Wakefield $25 75; Edward Hope $2 50; John Marshall $53.00 Daily Telegraph $111 93; Wm. T. Rodgers Jr., $10 00; Ingham & Hall $1.50; Charles N. Betts $22 25; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $30 21; Thomas B Kissam $1 75; C. E. Kallenback $3.00; C. E. Kallenback $2. 0; and C. F. Kallenback $2.25.

On motion of Ald Thompson, it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Aetna Insurance Company of Hartford Connecticut for fifteen dollars, for renewal of policy of insurance No 12 78, until the 30th day of December, Eighteen hundred and fifty seven.

On motion of Ald. Tyrell the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Water Commissioner, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Moses B. Bramhall. Four ballottings were had which resulted as follows; Ald. Thompson and Insley acting as tellers.

First Balloting.

Selah Hill received two votes.
George McLaughlin received one vote.
Edmund W Kingsland received one vote.
Samuel Wescott received one vote.
Job Feuchenbergh received one vote.
Charles F. Durant received one vote.
George W. Edge received one vote.
Cornelius Van Vorst received two votes.

Second Balloting.

George McLaughlin received one vote.
Daniel Crane received one vote.
Edmund W. Kingsland received two votes.
Samuel Wescott received one vote.
Selah Hill received one vote.
Charles F. Durant received one vote.
Reverend J Kelly received one vote.
George W. Edge received one vote
Cornelius Van Vorst received one vote.

Third Balloting

Edmund W. Kingsland received eight votes.
——— Scotenyck received one vote.
Laughing Jack received one vote.

Fourth Balloting.

Edmund W. Kingsland received nine votes.
George McLaughlin received one vote.

Whereupon Edmund W. Kingsland was declared appointed Water Commissioner.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, the Board then proceeded to the appointment of a Corporation Printer.

Two ballotings were had, which resulted as follows: The same tellers acting.

First Balloting.

William B. Dunning received four votes.
Henry D. Holt received five votes.
One blank was cast.

Second Balloting.

William B. Dunning received six votes.
Henry D. Holt received four votes.

The further balloting for Corporation Printer was postponed on motion of Ald. Thompson.

On motion of Ald. Insley, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the 13th inst., at 7½ o'clock P. M.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Erwin.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Communication from E. W. Kingsland declining to accept the office of Water Commissioner. Received and ordered filed.

Petition of J. S. Hibbie, to be appointed a City Auctioneer. Referred to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Petition of W. H. Jeffs, Attorney, for Assignees of E. C. Doon, praying a city warrant, and asking that one be issued in favor of Isaiah Atterbury. Ref. to Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Keeney & Halsday, $63 90; and $43.30. Referred to Com. on Streets.

Of F. Boyes $15 59; and Isaac Wakefield $12.88. Referred to Com. on Alms.

Of A. O. Dummer $45.50. Referred to Com. on Lamps.

Of Wm. Roosevelt $70 00. Referred to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The Committee on Lamps returned the claim of H. A. Miller amounting to $13 31 referred to the meeting of the 6th instant, and the same were referred to the Committee on Police and Licenses.

Ald. McComb being the only member of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings present requested that one Alderman be appointed temporarily on the Committee for the evening, and Ald. Clarke was appointed.

The following claims were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, reported correct, and under a suspension of the rules ordered paid, viz:

Of Frederick Boyes $13.01; and Frederick Boyes $8.02.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and the said amounts were ordered paid viz: of

G. W. Whitley $33.00; C. T. Gardner $37.54; Isaac Wakefield $ 5.54; J. F. Richardson $37.25; E. D. Reily $3.55; A. A. Rice $11.50; Frederick Perret $79.92; Perrine & Collver $10 5; John Pringle $19.33; R. & J. M. Laughlin $10.50; H. A. Miller $15 7; McGuigan & Nugent $19.63; H. A. Miller $139 45; and H. A. Miller $139.80; J. M. Laughlin $2.03; and J. McLaughlin $56.97; W. W. Lee; $18 64, and W. W. Lee $16.34; Alexander Live $2 00; R. B. Kashow $7.22; and R. B. Kashow $8.19; Jersey City Gas Light Co., $15.17; S. A. French $20 76; William Eaton $20 50; R. B. Earle & Co $3 00; R. B. Earle & Co. $15.34; and R. B. Earle & Co $1 00; Drayton & Duryea $103 69; W. H. Dane $9 31; C. N. Bates 6.50; and Hugh Billingsley $31 50.

The Special Committee to whom were referred on the 16th December last the charges against P. Donnelly, L. Wakefield and C. Duncan, made by A. B. Reynolds Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, reported that they have investigated the subject, that they find the charges against Donnelly sustained, and recommend his expulsion from the Fire Department; that Duncan is not a member of the Department, and that the charges against Wakefield are not fully sustained. Report received, and its recommendation adopted.

Ald. Insley, from the Committee on Alms, presented a sealed proposal received by said Committee, for supplying groceries for the Alms House. The proposal was opened, read and found to be from Charles T. Gardner.

On motion of Ald. Insley, it was

Resolved, That the proposal of Charles T. Gardner to supply groceries for the Alms House, which has been opened and read at this meeting of the Board, be referred to the Committee on Alms, with authority to make a contract with him, provided the Committee deem it to the interests of the City to do so.

The Special Committee, to whom were referred on the 16th December last, the charges made by Ald. Insley against the Chief of Police, presented a report setting forth that the Police Department is now in good working order, and that in future there will be no cause for complaint against the Chief of Police, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. Report received and accepted.

The Committee on Police and Licenses, to whom was referred on the 7th October last, the petition of S. W. Treadwell, to be remunerated for expenses incurred by him in taking prisoners from Jersey City to the Hudson County Jail, reported adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner. Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Police and Licenses reported against the payment of the claim of S. W. Treadwell, amounting to $30 00, referred to them on the 7th October last. Report received and adopted.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Laws and Ordinances be authorized to retain Joseph P. Bradley, Esq., of Newark as Associate Counsel in the suits of Holmes vs. The City, and of Townsend vs. The City.

Ald. Tilden resigned his position as Chairman of the Committee on Laws and Ordinances and as a member of said Committee, and Ald. Edge was appointed in his place.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for three dollars and fifty cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Ætna Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, for amount of premium on renewal of policy of insurance No. 14 22.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow money, not to exceed ten thousand dollars, in anticipation of taxes for the current corporation year, and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby empowered, on the requisition of the Committee on Finance to issue the bonds or bonds of the City for such sum or sums as may be borrowed under this resolution.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Erwin.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to procure a book of blank Improvement Certificate bonds.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the Board proceeded to the appointment of Water Commissioner.

Ballotings were had, which resulted as follows, Ald. Insley and Thompson acting as Tellers.

First Balloting.

F. B Betts received three votes.
J. D Miller received two votes.
Peter Dolan received one vote.
Selah Hill received one vote
John H. Lyon received one vote.
B. O. Edge received four votes.
Job Male received one vote.

Second Balloting.

F. B. Betts received three votes.
Selah Hill received one vote.
J. D. Miller received four votes.
B O Edge received four votes
Job Male received one vote.

Third Balloting.

F. B. Betts received three votes.
J. D. Miller received four votes.
B. O. Edge received six votes.

Fourth Balloting.

J D Miller received three votes.
B. O. Edge received six votes.
F B. Betts received two votes.
Wm. Pearsall received one vote.
J. H Lyon received one vote.

Fifth Balloting

J D Miller received four votes
B. O Edge received seven votes.
F B Betts received one vote
Wm. Pearsall received one vote.

Sixth Balloting.

J. D. Miller received two votes.
B. O. Edge received seven votes.
F. B. Betts received three votes.
J. H. Lyon received one vote.

Seventh Balloting.

J. D. Miller received one vote.
B O. Edge received eight votes.
F. B Betts received four votes.

Eighth Balloting.

B. O. Edge received eight votes.
F. B Betts received five votes.

Ninth Balloting.

B. O. Edge received seven votes.
F. B. Betts received five votes.
D. S. Gregory, Jr. received one vote.

Tenth Balloting.

B. O. Edge received seven votes.
F. B. Betts received six votes.

Eleventh Balloting.

B. O. Edge received seven votes.
F. B. Betts received six votes.

Twelfth Balloting.

B. O. Edge received six votes.
F. B. Betts received seven votes.

Thirteenth Balloting

F. B. Betts received six votes.
B. O. Edge received six votes.

Fourteenth Balloting.

F. B. Betts received six votes.
B. O. Edge received seven votes.

Fifteenth Balloting.

F. B. Betts received seven votes.
B. O. Edge received six votes.

Sixteenth Balloting.

F. B. Betts received six votes.
B. O. Edge received seven votes.

Seventeenth Balloting.

B. O Edge received six votes.
F. B. Betts received seven votes.

Eighteenth Balloting.

F B. Betts received six votes.
B. O. Edge received seven votes.

Nineteenth Balloting.

B. O Edge received seven votes.
F. B. Betts received six votes.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the further balloting for Water Commissioner was postponed.

On motion of Ald Tilden, the Ordinance presented on the 16th December last, entitled "An Ordinance amendatory to an Ordinance passed August 26, 1856, entitled "An Ordinance to establish, regulate and control a Day and Night Police," was taken up for consideration.

The Ordinance was amended; and the title of the Ordinance was amended by striking out the word "amendatory," and inserting in its place the word "supplementary."

The Ordinance as amended wae passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent— Ald. Cobb and Erwin.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, the Board proceeded to the appointment of Corporation Printer.

The same tellers acted. Ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

First Balloting.

Henry D. Holt received seven votes.
William B. Dunning received five votes.
One blank was cast.

Second Balloting.

Henry D. Holt received eight votes.
W. B. Dunning received four votes.
One blank was cast.

Third Balloting.

Henry D. Holt received seven votes.
W. B. Dunning received five votes.
One blank was cast.

Fourth Balloting.

Henry D. Holt received eight votes.
William B. Dunning received three votes.
One blank was cast.
Colsten received one vote.

Fifth Balloting.

Henry D. Holt received eight vots.
William B. Dunning received four votes.
One blank was cast.

Sixth Balloting.

Henry D. Holt received eight votes.
William B Dunning received five votes.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, the further balloting for Corporation Printer was suspended.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman, the balloting for Water Commissioner was renewed.

One balloting was had, which resulted as follows, the same tellers acting.

Benjamin O. Edge received nine votes.
Frederick B. Betts received four votes.

Whereupon, Benjamin O. Edge was declared appointed Water Commissioner

On motion of Ald. Tilden the balloting for Corporation Printer was renewed.

The same Tellers acting.

Ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

Seventh Balloting.

William B. Dunning received five votes.
Henry D. Holt received eight votes.

Eighth Balloting.

William B. Dunning received six votes.
Henry D. Holt received seven votes.

Ninth Balloting.

William B. Dunning received five votes.
Henry D. Holt received eight votes.

Tenth Balloting.

William B. Dunning received four votes.
Henry D. Holt received nine votes.

Whereupon Henry D. Holt was declared appointed Corporation Printer.

On motion of Ald. Wilson the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COMNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, January 20, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Tilden. Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Absent—Ald Cobb, Edge, Gardner, Hoffman, Thompson and Thurston.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 6th, 1857, and of the adjourned regular meeting of January 13th, 1857, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of C. A. Woolsey and others to have George C. Clarke, re-appointed a Policeman of Jersey City, and to be stationed at the Jersey City Ferry. Ref. to Committee on Police and Licenses.

Petition of J. B. Cleveland and others, Trustees and Members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in York street, to have a good and sufficient iron lamp post, with lamp for burning gas, erected in front of their church, to be lighted by and at the expense of said Church. Ref. to Committee on Lamps.

Petition of William H. Heiss, Superintendent of Magnetic Telegraph Company, for permission to erect a line of Telegraph through portions of Montgomery, Greene, Steuben, and Prospect streets. Ref. to Committee on Streets.

Remonstrance of Breese, Kneeland & Co., and others against the assessment for the improvement of Warren street. Ref. to Joint Committee on Streets and Assessments.

Petition of John H. Broas and others to have Bay street, from Prospect to the centre of Warren street, filled in and raised to the established grade. Ref. to Committee on Streets.

Remonstrance of William R. Drayton against the confirmation of the Assessment for the improvement of Warren street, between Montgomery and Morgan streets. Ref. to Committee on Assessments.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of William Bumstead & Co., $9.37. Ref. to Com. on Sewers.

Of John Pringle $59.23. Ref to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Henry D. Holt $170.50. Ref. to Committee on Salaries, Offices, and Elections.

Of Jacob Erwin $48.06. Ref. to Committee on Alms.

Of W. H. Wood $91.26; and Daily Telegraph $4.00. Ref. to Committee on Finance.

Of John Savery & Sons $24.00: and William Bumstead & Co., $9.50. Ref. to Committee on Streets.

Of Wm. Bumstead & Co., $18.75; Keeny & Hallady $61·00; and Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company $25.00. Ref. to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Ald. Insley being the only member of the Committee on Alms present, requested that an Alderman be appointed on that Committee for the evening, and Ald. Drayton was appointed.

The following claims and accounts, were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees, reported correct, the rules suspended for the purpose of enabling the Board to audit the claims, and the same were ordered paid, viz;

Of R. D. McClelland $125.00; S. A. French $100.00; R. S. Gillman $175.00; Wm. Whitley $150.00; J· V. Hardenbergh $175.00. J. H. Vondy $50.00; G. W. Cassedy $250.00; and G. W. Cassedy $50.00.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid viz:

Of P. D. Vroom $500; Isaac Wakefield $12.88; A. O. Dummer $45.50; Frederick Boyes $14.21; James Flemming $21.00; David Gould $21.00; D. Pray $21.00; James McLaughlin $10.55; H. A. Miller $13.31; and R. B. Earle & Co., $2.44.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel, fourteen days previous to and including this date.

Dated Jersey City, January 20th, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of Assessment for the regulating of Warren Street from Morgan Street to Montgomery Street, including intersections.

Notice is hereby given, that the Assessors' Report and Map for regulating Warren Street from Morgan Street to Montgomery Street including intersections is on file in the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery Street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in January, 185', at 7½ o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, January 7th, 1857. td

The report was received and ordered filed.

A communication of which the following is a copy, was presented from the Board of Education.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office, on Tuesday evening, January 13th, 1857. The Committee on Teachers and Salaries reported that the amount due teachers for the current quarter, ending January 31, would be $2,266.17.

Whereupon it was resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays having been taken, "That a requisition be made upon the Common Council for the sum

of twenty-two hundred and sixty-six 17-100; the warrant for the same to be in favor of the Finance Committee of the Board of Education."

Requisitions were also ordered upon the Common Council by the votes of all the members present the yeas and nays being taken as follows:

In favor of Frederick Boyes for coal and wood, for public schools, $190.52; Cory & Webster, cleaning, and repairs of furnaces $11.50; Isaac Wakefield, repairs of stove and stove pipe, $11.50.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Jan. 13, 1857.

The communication was received, and a warrant was ordered to be drawn in favor of the Finance Committee of the Board of Education for the sum of $2,266 17, for teachers' salaries, due February 1st, 1857; and warrants were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Messrs. Boyes, Cory & Webster, and Isaac Wakefield, for the amounts of their claims, named in the requisition.

A communication from the Chief of Police in relation to the insecure condition of the city prison, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The Com. on Police and Licenses, to whom was referred on the 13th instant, the petition of J. S. Higbie, to be appointed a City Auctioneer, reported adversely to granting the prayer of the petition. Report received and adopted.

The Special Committee to whom was referred on the 6th instant, the subject of the taxation of property of St. Mary's and St. Peter's Churches, asked and obtained further time, until the next regular meeting of the Board to report.

Ald. Tyrrell offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution passed by the Common Council, Nov. 18, 1851, granting the Jersey City Gas Light Company the privilege of opening the streets to lay down their mains, be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

The resolution was laid upon the table, on motion of Ald. Erwin.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to investigate the recent money transactions of the Water Commissioners of Jersey City, that said Committee have power to send for persons and papers.

The resolution was adopted, and Ald. Tilden, Wilson, and Insley were appointed the Committee.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Committee on Police and License be authorized to purchase twenty four dark lanterns, for station house at a price not to exceed one dollar each.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, February 3d, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Gardner.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Official bond of Benjamin O. Edge, as Water Commissioner, with George W. Edge and Henry M. Traphagen as sureties. Ref. to Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Samuel G. Cutts, to be appointed a City Auctioneer. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Petition of David Scott, to be appointed a City Auctioneer, and explaining the reasons why he has not collected on his sales the commission due to the City, &c. Ref. to Committee on Police and Licenses.

Petition of Wm. H. Harrison to have cancelled a sale of two lots on the 27th July, 1855, for taxes of 1854, the same having been previously paid by him to the Collector of Arrears of Taxes. Ref. to Committee on Finance.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of Cronham & Wetterson, $1.00; John Van Vorst $50.00; Cronham & Wetterson, $2.19; David Bedford, $9.75; and Cronham & Wetterson, $3.91. Ref. to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William A. Cumming $58.92; Keeney & Halladay, $42 00; I. B. & D E. Culver $256 15; I B. & D. E. Culver $5.00; William A. Cumming, $14-223,81; and P. W. Griffing, $2.00. Ref. to Committee on Streets.

Of Charles T. Gardner, $400.45; W. H. Dame, $66.29; and Drayton & Durant, $137.78. Ref. to Committee on Alms.

Of James Smith, $96 25; William B. Dunning, $5 00; A. A. Rice, $1 6 25; and S. A. French, $3.68 Ref. to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Isaac Wakefield $14 48; Isaac Wakefield, $1 50, J. F Richardson $88.75; Hugh Billingsley, $31 50; and H. A. Miller, $111.97. Ref. to Committee on Lamps.

Of J F. Richardson, $29.86. Ref. to Committee on Police and Licenses.

Of P. D. Vroom, $64.20. Ref. to Committee on Finance.

Of Morrell & Vanderbeek, $3.00. Ref. to Committee on Public Health.

A communication was presented from the Trustees of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund, asking for the annual donation to that association. The communication was received, and on motion of Ald. Hoffman, it was

Resolved, That a donation of one hundred dollars be made to the Jersey City Fire Department Fund; and that a warrant for the said amount be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, to be placed in the treasury of said Association.

A report of which the following is a copy, was presented by the City Clerk.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Daily Sentinel, for twenty days previous to this date.

Dated Jersey City, February 2d, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have the side walk flagged on the north side of Grand street, between Warren and Van Vorst streets, except so much of it as is now flagged.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have the side walk flagged on the north side of Grand street, between Warren and Van Vorst streets, except so much of it as is now flagged, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in February next, at 7½ o'clock P. M., at which time it will hear and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing, to the said improvement.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, January 10th, 1857.

The report was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the following elections, transfers, and expulsions in that department, viz:

Elections of William L. Beach, Richard D. Jordan, Frederick Cooper, William T. Wier, Joseph Barrow and William Conway, by Engine Company, No. 1; A. J. Shipley and Charles A. Hillyer, by Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.

Transfers of John D. Fraser, from Hose Co. No. 1 to Hose Co. No. 2; and James M. Reily from Engine Co. No. 3 to Engine Co. No. 5.

Expulsions of James Wilson, and Samuel S. Drayton by Engine Co. No. 1; and E. C. Sewall by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Communications received, elections and transfers approved, and the names of the expelled members ordered to be stricken from the roll of the Fire Department.

The Special Committee appointed on the 20th ultime to investigate the recent money transactions of the Water Commissioners, presented a report which was received and on motion of Ald. Erwin ordered to be published at large in the printed minutes of the Common Council. Said report being as follows:

The Special Committee appointed to investigate the recent money transactions of the Water Commissioners, beg to report

First—That the Water Commissioners do not keep an account in the Hudson County Bank, therefore a check or warrant drawn in their favour, and properly endorsed could not draw the money from this Bank, the Water Commissioners not keeping an account there, and of course no money—all city warrants are drawn on the City Treasurer and not on the Bank, such warrants when drawn in favour of the Water Commissioners should be endorsed by the President of that Board in all cases, that they be proper vouchers for the City Treasurer, warrant, drawn on him are paid by him, as City Treasurer and not as Cashier of the Hudson County Bank.

Second—That the Water Commissioners do keep their account in the Mechanics & Traders Bank of this city—all notes, checks, or warrants drawn in, their favor and deposited by them for collection should be endorsed by the President of this board, it does not require the endorsement of three of this Board, to make deposits to their credit, nor does it require the endorsement of three to draw money from any Bank, where they do not keep an account, but the Law does require the signatures of three of this Board to draw money on their check from said Bank or Banks, the Law says expressly "that no money shall be drawn by the Water Commissioners on check, unless it be signed by the President, and at least two of the Board only."

Third—That there was two warrants drawn on the City Treasurer for $213.60, in favor of the Water Commissioners to pay the interest coming due, the first of January 1857, on water bonds, said warrants was deposited by the Water Commissioners in the Mechanics & Traders' Bank for collection, although not properly endorsed, the City Treasurer paid them on presentation, the amount was placed to the credit of the Water Commissioners, by the Cashier of the Mechanics' & Traders' Bank, and there remains subject to their lawful check.

Fourth—That a check was drawn at the office of the Water Commissioners for $213 60, on the Me-

chanics' & Traders' Bank in favor of the Mercantile Bank in the city of New York. where the interest on water bonds was made payable, that check was presented for payment at the counter of the Mechanics & Traders Bank, which was legally and promptly referred, said check not having the endorsement of three of the Water Board, according to the requisition of the law, this check was protested by order of the President of said Water Board

Fifth—That the protesting of this check has done no injury to the credit of the city or reduced the value of the Water Bonds, from the fact that such a check was of no value in law or in a Mercantile view we regret exceedingly that the difficulty in the Water Board was of such a character as precluded the possibility of a satisfactorily settlement, the Committee take great pleasure in reporting that by a judicious and timely arrangement made, and carried out, by the Mechanics' & Traders' Bank of this city every coupon that has been presented here or at any Bank, in New York hat been promptly paid. The Mechanics' and Tradera' Bank give written notice to all the Banks and Brokers in New York that they would receive all coupons due on the Water Bonds of Jersey City as cash in their regular exchanges, we further report that the credit of the city has not suffered in any respect, in conclusion we would most respectfully recommend that earlier arrangements be made for the prompt payments of coupons heretfter, so that a difference of opinion, may not endanger the credit of the city, we also recommend that the President of the Water Board, endorse all papers, drawn in their favor, and that he order all such papers to be deposited in Bank immediately after being endorsed by him, all of which is respectfully submitted.

THO E TILDEN,
ALEXANDER WILSON.
H. E. INSLEY.

(Ald. Thurston obtained leave and retired.)

The Special Committee to whom was referred on the 6th ultimo, the petition of the vestry of St. Peters and St. Mary's Churches, to have refunded monies paid for taxes on said Churches presented a report, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasury in favor of J. Kelley, Rector of St. Peter's Church, for one hundred and twenty dollars and ninety cents, being amount of taxes for 1855.

Resolved, That the taxes assessed upon the Catholic Church in Grand Street for 1856, also the taxes assessed upon the Catholic Church in Erie Street, consisting of the building and four lots upon which the same now stands be, and the same are hereby remitted.

The report was received, and the resolutions were adopted, the vote being taken on each resolution separately.

The report of the Chief of Police, for the quarter ending January 31st 1857, was presented, received, and ordered to be published in the printed minutes of the Common Council. Said report being as follows :

STATION HOUSE, Feb. 3d, 1857.

Report to the Hon. the Mayor and Common Council, of the Chief of Police for the quarter commencing November 1st, 1856, and ending January 31st, 1857, comprising the arrests made, by whom made, and how disposed of, all tippling houses throughout the city : also the number of lodgers accommodated at the Station House, during the quarter, &c. &c

Fined $2 00 each, 57 ; fined $10.00 each, 5 ; fined $10.00 and costs, 1.

Confined in the cells 2 days, 46 ; delivered on vessel, 6 : sent to Bergen for 30 days, 22; for 60 days, 15, for 70 and 90 days, 1 each ; default of Bail, 33; Bailed, 82; Acquitted. 2 ; Sent to Alms House, 5; Discharged, 101. Total 327.

Lodgers for the quarter.—Men, 455 ; women, 45; boys 20 ; total 520. Nativity of Lodgers—Americans, 84 ; English, 34 ; Scotch, 26; Irish, 294 ; Germans, 76 ; Hollanders, 2; Born at Sea, Nova Scotian, Prussian, Unknown, 1 each ; Total 520.

Crimes and Arrests.—For Assault and Battery with intent to kill, by the Chief, 1 ; officer Graham, 1 ; Clark, 2 ; total 4.

Assault and Battery—By the Chief, 2; Graham, Ward, and Seely, 2 each ; Baldwin, Reen, and Baum, 1 each ; Towle. 3; total 14.

Burglary.—1 each, by Haines, Davis and Van Riper; total 3.

Larceny.—5 each by the Chief and Haines ; 3 each by Baldwin and Groves; Baum 2; J. Ayres, McDonald, Lane, Ward, Carroll, McNamara, Smith, Van Riper and Clark, 1 each; total, 47.

Suspicious Circumstances.—McDonald, 2; Smith, 3; Ward and McNamara, 1 each ; total 7.

Passing Counterfeit Money—1 each, by the Chief, Haines, Baldwin, Ward and Towle; total 5.

Selling Liquor without License—2 by Smith and 1 each by Groves, Seely and Babbington ; total 5

As Witnesses.—1 by the Chief, 2 by Haines; total 3.

Deserting Vessel—2 each by the Chief, Haines and Baum.

Deserting Wife—1 by Smith.

Disorderly—6 by the Chief ; 4 each by Ward and Baum ; 3 each by Baldwin and Smith; 2 each by Reen, McDonald, Groves and J. L. Ayres ; 1 each by J. Ayres, Haines, Lane, Graham, Murphy, and McNamara ; total 34.

Drunk and Disorderly—1 each by Haines, J. Ayres, Baldwin, and J. L. Ayres ; 2 each by Reen, McDonald, Lane, Murphy and Smith ; 3 each by the Chief, Baum and Davis ; 4 each by Seely, McNamara and Towle ; 5 each by Ward and Van Riper; 8 by Groves, total 53.

Drunk—1 by Fine, 2 each by J. Ayres J. L. Ayres, Babington Cadugan, Topping, Paynton and Clark ; 4 each by Reen, Carroll, Davis and Van Riper ; 5 each by Haines, Graham, Lane, Murphy and Smith ; 6 by Towle ; 7 each by Baldwin, McDonald and Seely : 8 by McNamara ; 11 each by Groves and Baum 13 by Ward ; 18 by the Chief ; total 144.

Vagrancy—1 each by J. Ayres, McDonald, Ward and Seely ; 2 each by the Chief and Smith ; tot 18.

Disorderly House—1 by Reen.

Deranged—1 each by the Chief, Haines, J. Ayres and Carroll ; total 4.

Peddling without License—2 by the Chief.

Destroying City Property—1 by McNamara.

Prostitutes—1 each by Groves and Towle ; total 2.

Interfering with Officers—1 each by Carroll, Seely and J. L. Ayres.

Whole number, 327.

Jersey City, Nov. 1st, 1856.

To the Hon the Mayor and Common Council :

Gentlemen:—Annexed you will please find my report for the short term the Police Department have been in existence; the space since the organization has been short, consequently the report must be brief.

Respectfully submitted,
THOS. B. KISSAM, Chief of Police.

According to the time book the following men have been off duty : Walter Lane, 1 night, without leave ; Martin Ward, 9 nights, suspended ; John G. Carroll 1 night, sickness ; James C. Smith, 2, nights with leave; Jarvis L. Ayres, 2 nights, sickness ; John Cadugan, 2 nights, sickness; Abraham Van Riper, 1 night, sickness; Stephen W. Treadwell, 22 nights, without leave ; vacancy, 9 nights. Those having been sick have filed the necessary affidavit.

One officer reported for dereliction of duty ; Committee reported charges sustained, reinstated by Common Council.

There have been 65 lodgers accommodated up to date.

The following is a list of the arrests made, by whom, and how disposed of, also the officers :

Arrests by whom,		Cause of arrest,		How disposed of	
Chief	8	Drunk	50	Fined $5.00	1
Aid Haines	4	" & d'sr'ly	24	" 2.00	28
" Ayres	3	"	2	Locked up 2 days	22

Arrests by whom.		Cause of arrest.		How disposed of.	
Of'r Graham	2	d'nk & fi't'g	2	Bergen 30 ds	12
" Baldwin	7	"	4	" 60 "	2
" Reen	10	" and ins l-tir g fem'l's	3	" 3 mos	9
" McDonald	6	d'nk & abus-family	8	" df t of b'l	2
" Lane	0	vagrancy	9	b'led to ke'p the p ace	1
" Ward	4	thrt'ng life	1	b'led to ap-pear at Court	3
" Groves	12	int'f'g wi h offi's while in ds'c'ge of d'ty,	8	bl'ed to app'ar before Rec'er	1
" Murphy	2	dest'y'g pr'ty	1	esc'p'd from prison	6
" Carroll	5	insane	1	del'vered to friends	1
" Treadwell	1	rais'g false a-larm of fire	1	disch'ged by recorder	33
McNamara	12	as'lt & b'try	8		
Toole,	3	petit larceny	11		
Smith	10	es 'ped and re-arrested	8		
Brum	9				
Ayres	3				
Babington	6				
Cadugan	6				
Parnton	5				
Van Riper	3				
Fine	5				
	126		126		126

LIQUOR STORES.

Matthew Kelly, No — Byrne St., liquor store.

Mrs. Miller, cor. Byrne and Warren Sts., Liquor store. Charles McCarty, No. 58 Warren St, Liquor store. Mrs Doyle, cor. Essex and Warren Sts, liquor store. No. 66 Warren, corner Essex St., liquor and Grocery. Charles Gardner cor. Washington and Essex St, Beer and Grocery.

John Williams, No. 37 Morris St., Porter House. William Whelan, No. 36 Morris Street, Porter House. John & Michael Cary, cor. Morris and Greene Sts, Grocery and Liquor Patrick Madden, corner Morris and Greene Sts. Liquor. James Scofield, No. 39 Morris St. Liquor. Patrick Tearney, No. 72 Greene St., Liquor Dennis McCamea, No. 74 Greene St., Liquor. Corner Sussex and Greene Sts. Liquor. Grand and Hudson Sts, Liquor. Mrs. Smith, No. 10 Grand St., Liquor.

John J. Wanner, Nos. 20 and 22 Grand St., Hudson House. No. 31 Grand St, cor. Greene, Cassino House. No. 22 York St, Liquor. Cor. York and Greene St., basement, Liquor Store. Cor. York and Greene Streets, second story, Liquor Store. Michael Doyle, No. 45 York St., Porter House. Joseph Hencil, No. 40 York St., United States Hotel. Patrick Corrigan, No. 46 York St., Porter House Mrs Rodman, cor. Montgomery and Hudson Sts, Eating and Drinking Saloon. John Taylor cor. Montgomery and Hudson Sts., Eating and Drinking Saloon. C. W. Bean, No 11 Montgomery street, American Hotel—Timothy Degan, No. 12 Montgomery street, Wines, Liquors, &c. Timothy Degan, No. 11 Montgomery street Philadelphia Hotel. Samuel Hathaway, No 2 Montgomery street Lager Bier, Oysters, &c. W. & C B. Jaquins No 23 and 25 Montgomery street Liquors, Oysters, &c. Walter Briggs cor. Greene and Montgomery street, Commercial Restaurant. John Eagen No 42 Montgomery street, Porter House. ——Pelts No 86 Montgomery street, Porter House. Passaic Saloon. Frank Heavy, No 60 Montgomery street, Porter House. William Cooper, No. 83 Montgomery street, Porter House. ——Cortes, No. 84 Montgomery street, Porter House. James Bradley, No 2 Newark Ave., Porter House. William Lyines, No. 11 Newark Ave, Porter House. G H. Daits, No. 17 Newark Ave., Lager Bier. No. 9 Newark Ave, Lager Bier. Christopher Flinspark 31 Newark Ave., Lager Bier. Michael McHome No 40 Newark Ave., Porter House. No 33 Newark Ave, Lager Bier. Edward Corrigan, No. 46 Newark Ave., Liquor and Furniture. John Copel, No. 49 Newark Ave., Liquor. Patrick Doyle, No 51 Newark Ave., Liquor. No. 64 Newark Ave., Liquor. No. 63 Newark Ave., Liquor. Matthew Somers, No. 6 Newark Ave., Liquor. No. —Newark Ave. Franklin House James Sullivan, No. 71 Newark Ave, Liquor and Grocery. 74 Newark Ave., Liquor. Thomas Feagan, Washington Place, Liquor. Cor. Prospect and Bay, Liquor. Robert Owen, No. 54 Prospect street, Liquor and Grocery. John Farley, No. 33 Prospect street, Liquor and Grocery. Johnson Hunt, No. 29 Prospect street Liquor and Grocery. John Corrigan, No. 28 Prospect street, Liquor and Grocery. Nicholas Steurman, No. 24 Prospect street, Liquor and Grocery C. H. Faust, No. 20 Prospect street, Lager Bier. Patrick Toner, No 4 Prospect street, Porter House. Owen Sweney, cor. Morgan and Provost street, Porter House. James Lynch, No. 66 Steuben street, Porter House. No. 102 Steuben street, Groceries and Liquors. William Neutral, No. 144 Steuben street, Liquors. Patrick Corrigan, No. 98 Steuben street, Liquors.

Matthew Bradley No. 34 Newark Avenue, Porter House. John Smith, No. 138 Newark Avenue, Porter House. Patrick Corrigan, No. 161 Newark Avenue, Groceries and Liquors. Patrick Doyle, No. 164 Newark Avenue, Liquors. Isley, corner Erie and Michigan streets, Liquors. Frederick Hautsch, No. 179 Newark Avenue, Lager Bier. No. 193 Newark Avenue, Liquors. Skelly & Corrigan, No. 212 Newark Avenue, Groceries and Liquors. No. 287 Newark Avenue, Lager Bier William Moore, Jersey Arms, Newark Avenue, Liquors. C. Casteman, corner South 7th street and Newark Avenue, Lager Bier. James Keenan, No. 328 South 7th street, Liquor. James Kenny, No. 268 Newark Avenue, Liquor. Connelly, corner Newark Avenue and South 6th street. Liquor. Mrs. Riley, No. 294 Newark Avenue, Liquor. Keily No. 345 South 5th st, Groceries and Liquors. Mrs. Flash No 320 South 6th st, Liquors. Thomas McDonald, No 328 South 6th street, Groceries and Liquors. Patrick Martin, corner Grove street and Newark Avenue, Liquors. Owen McCue, corner Grove and Morgan streets, Liquor. William A. Crawford, corner Grove and South 5th street, Liquors. Hannah Cluskey, No. 310 Grove street, Liquors.

Francis Boyle, No 317 Grove street, Liquors. Michael McKane, corner Grove and South 3d streets, Liquors. William Drum, corner Grove and South 3d streets, Groceries and Liquors. H. H. Senemen, corner Grove and South 1st streets, Groceries and Liquors. Corner Pavonia Avenue and Provost streets, Liquors Corner Prospect and 2, Liquors. Charles Loman, No. 2 Railroad Avenue, Porter House. Patrick Harrigan, No 14 Railroad Avenue, Porter House. Patrick Lynch, No 11 Railroad Avenue Porter House. Horsly, No 62 Canal street, Porter House. Otto Myers, corner Grand and Bright streets, Grocery and Liquors. Peglin, No 206 Grand street, Beer, Liquor, &c.

Bernard McAnnally, No 2 5 Grand street. Groceries and Liquors. Robert Madigan, No 207 Grand street, Groceries and Liquors. Mrs. Pryor, No. 215 Grand street, Liquors. Patrick Tooman, No 224 Grand street, Liquors. No 2 5 Grand street, Liquors, No 235 Grand street, Liquors, Oysters, &c. Martha Murphy, No 246 Grand street, Groceries and Liquors. James Pranigan, No 257 Grand street, Liquors. No 259 Grand street, Distiller J. Machin, No 261 Grand street, Shoemaker and Liquors. No. 263 Grand st., Liquors. William King, No 265 Grand street, Liquors. No 16 Colden street, Liquors. No 8 Bright street, Bay Shades. No 154 Henderson street, Groceries and Liquors. Mary Bennett, No 174 Montgomery street, Liquors. No. 176 Montgomery street, Liquors. Corner Gregory and Montgomery streets, Groceries and Liquors. Near Grove, in Montgomery street, Liquors. No 225 Wayne street, Liquors. No 213 Railroad Avenue, Liquors. No 217 Railroad Avenue, Groceries and Liquors. No 219 Railroad Avenue, Liquors

The Committee on Fire and Water returned the claim referred to them on the 6th January last, of Joseph Shipley amounting to $92.16; and the same was laid upon the table.

The Committees on Police and Licenses, to whom was referred on the 20th January last, the petition of C. A. Wolsey and others to have George C. Clarke re-appointed a Policeman, and to be stationed at the Ferry, reported in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners. The report was received.

All, Thompson, from the Committee on Assess.

ments, presented the report schedule, and map of the Board of Water Commissioners for assessments of the regulating of Monmouth Street, between South Second Street and South Eighth Street, and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's Office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper, that the Assessors' Report and Map for regulating Monmouth Street between South Second Street and South Eighth Street, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery Street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in February, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the report, schedule and map of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments, of the regulating of Pavonia Avenue from Provost street to Monmouth street, except the Public or Hamilton Square, and and the same were received, and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's Office

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper that the Assessors' Report and Map for regulating Pavonia Avenue from Provost street, to Monmouth street except the Public or Hamilton square, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in February, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objection to such assessment which may be presented in writing. The resolution was adopted.

Ald, Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the report, schedule and map, of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments, of the regulating of South Third street from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth street; and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper that the Assessors' Report and Map for regulating South Third Street, from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth Street, is on file in the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery Street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in February, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, as may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the report schedule, and map of the Board of Commissioners for Assessments of the regulating of Bay Street, between Prospect Street, and Grove Street; and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's Office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper, that the Assessors' Report and Map for regulating Bay Street, between Prospect Street and Grove Street, is on file in the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery Street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in February, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Lamps to whom was referred on the 20th of January last, the petition of the Trustees and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in York street to have an iron lamp post, with lamp, &c., erected in front of said church &c., reported adversely, to granting the prayer of the petitioners. The report was received and adopted.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees, reported correct, the rules suspended for the purpose of enabling the Board to audit the claims, and the same were ordered paid:

Of Police Department, $967 42; John Pringle, $59 23; Nathaniel Ellis, $35 34; Keeney & Halladay $175.00; David Bedford, $150.00; A. T. Smith, $100 00; Fidelity Division $75.00, Quaife & Otley, $50 00; Wm Roosevelt, $50 00; Mrs. William Eaton, $20 50; and Board of Commissioners of Assessments, $192 00.

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at previous meetings of the Board were reported correct for the following named amounts, respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of Frederick Annes, $18 23; McGuigan & Nugent $46 84; John B. Haight, $11.48; Hover & Horner, $40.00; Wm. Bumstead & Co., $9 50: and Wm. Bumstead & Co., $8.85; Daily Telegraph, $4.00; W. H. Wood, $91 26; W. B. Dunning, $5 00; Jacob Erwin, $48.03; Charles E. Hallenback, $3.50; Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company, $25.00; assessment for regulation of Jersey street from Mercer to Grand street, $316.95; and A. B. Reynolds, $22.95.

The claim of Keeney & Halladay, amounting to $43.30; for work and materials in repairing the westerly intersection of Bay and Grove streets, was presented, referred to the Committee on streets, reported correct by that Committee, and then referred to the Committee on Assessments, to be assessed.

Ald. Cobb offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the sale of lot, ning South Third street, in block one hundred and seventy eight, by the corporation on the 8th November last, for water rents, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that said water rents had been previously paid at the Water Commissioners' office, but were erroneously returned in the list of arrearages; and that a warrant for thirteen dollars and seventy six cents (being the purchase money,) and the interest on that amount at the rate of seven per cent per annum, from the date of sale, be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Palten, Junior, the purchaser, and be delivered to him on his surrender, and the cancelling of the Declaration of sale which is held by him. The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thomson, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Gardner and Thurston.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman the communications of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, which were presented and laid on the table, on the 6th January last, announcing the following elections in the Fire Department, were taken up, and the elections approved, viz:

Of John W. Combs by Engine Co. No. 1; Wm. H. Duryee, by Hook & Ladder Co. No. 2, Jacob Frank and Christian Arnheiter, by Hose Co. No. 4; and David Evans Frederick Hautch, William Shepherd Abraham Garrabrant, Joseph Sellew, and Robert S. Gilman.

(Ald. Cobb and Wilson obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald. Hoffman the communication of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department presented and laid upon the table on the 16th December last, announcing the suspension of Hose Co. No. 1, and Engine Co. No. 3, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Ald. Hoffman reported to the Board that the interior of Hose Carriage House No. 1, has been defaced and injured, and on motion of Ald. Edge the subject was referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings for investigation.

Ald Erwin offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor, (in case he concurs with the position taken in this resolution,)

be requested to communicate to the Senator and Assemblymen for this County, in the Legislature, that this Corporation is opposed to, and remonstrates against the passage of the law now before the Legislature in relation to the Fire Department of Jersey City, and that a copy of this resolution be certified under the City Seal by the Mayor and City Clerk and forwarded to our Senator and Assemblymen for presentation to the Legislature.

Ald. Erwin offered the following resolution

Resolved, That, (His Honor the Mayor concurring) the Corporation is entirely opposed to the removal of the New York Quarantine from its present location to Sandy Hook or to any other part of the soil of New Jersey; and that the Representatives of Hudson County in the Senate and General Assembly of the State will faithfully and truly represent the wishes of the people of Jersey City, by opposing all projects which may be started in the Legislature looking to or countenancing any such change; and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to communicate to the Senator and Assemblymen from this County, the views embodied in this resolution—and that a copy of this resolution, duly certified by His Honor the Mayor and by the City Clerk under the Corporation Seal of the City, be forwarded to the Senator and Assemblymen from this County, for presentation to the Legislature.

The resolution was laid upon the table, on motion of Ald Thompson.

Ald. Erwinn offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That at its next regular meeting, this Board will take up and dispose of all the vetoes of His Honor the Mayor, which are now on the table of this Common Council and have not been disposed of.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Edge offered the following preamble and resolution.

Whereas, on the 13th of January last, the Committee of Laws and Ordinances were instructed to employ Mr. Bradley of Newark, to assist the City Attorney, in certain suits now pending. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Laws and Ordinances have power to engage the services of Mr. Bradley or any other Lawyer, that they may deem to the interests of the city.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

The President appointed Ald. Tilden a member of the Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to fill the vacancy existing in that Committee.

Ald. Tyrrell offered the following preamble and resolution.

Whereas, the Jersey City Gas Light Co., have taken advantage of the terms and covenants set forth in a resolution passed by this Common Council, Nov. 18th 1851. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Jersey City Gas Light Company, are hereby forbid opening the streets for any purpose, except by permission of the Committee on Streets.

After some discussion, the preamble and resolution were laid upon the table on motion of Ald. Insley.

(During the discussion of Ald. Tyrrell's resolution, Ald. Drayton obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet on Tuesday, the 10th instant, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Ald. Edge, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, February 10th, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner, Insley, McComb and Wilson.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of E N. Cleveland, $275.00. Ref. to Com. on Streets.

Of Hoyt & Coykendall, $11.14. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Jasper Wandle, $31.25, and $31.25; and G. Quaife & Co., $ 45.00. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The Com. on Lamps returned the claim of Isaac Wakefield, amounting to $1.50, referred to them on the 3d instant, and the same was referred to the Committee on Police and Licenses.

Ald. Thompson asked to have a member of the Board temporarily appointed a member of the Committee on Assessments, he being the only member of that Committee present, whereupon the President appointed Ald. Clarke a member of said Committee for the evening.

The following claims and accounts, referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of Hugh Billingsley, $31.50; J. F. Richardson, $38.75; P. W. Griffing, $2.00; Isaac Wakefield, $14.43; Keeney & Halladay, $12 00; Henry D. Holt, $164.50; H. A. Miller, $111 97; and S. B. Ransom, $38 21.

The City Treasurer's report for January, 1857, showing a balance in the treasury on the 1st February, amounting to $5586.19, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the following elections by Washington Engine Co., No. 4, viz:

James Dixon, Michael Simmons, Patrick McDonough, William C. Voss and Henry Weindager.

The communications were received, and the elections approved.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom were referred on the 3d instant, for investigation, the communication of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the suspension of Hose Company, No. 1, and Engine Company, No. 3 presented a report, recommending that "both of the above named companies should be immediately disbanded."

Ald. Edge moved

"That the report be accepted, and the recommendation contained therein, be adopted."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Thurston, Hoffman and Tyrrell.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman and Thompson.

Nays—Ald. Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner, Insley, McComb and Wilson.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 20th January last, the petition of "The Magnetic Telegraph Company," for permission to erect a line of Telegraph from their office, No. 25 Montgomery Street to and through Greene Street, to and through Steuben Street to Prospect Street, and through Prospect Street to its intersection with the road running to Hoboken, presented a report in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to the Magnetic Telegraph Company to erect a line of Telegraph along the route designated in their application, presented on the 20th January, 1857, provided that said Company shall first enter into bond to be approved of by the Committee on Streets, to keep the Streets through which the line is erected in repair, and that this permission is to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The Committee on Police and Licenses, to whom was referred on the 3d February instant, the petition of David Scott, to be re-appointed a City Auctioneer, and to be released from the payment of a per centage on his sales heretofore made, which has never been

collected by him, in consequence of its probable illegality, presented a report, recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

On motion of Ald. Tilden it was

Resolved, That the report be received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred on the 16th December 1856, the petition of Stephen Quafe, to be paid the full amount of his claim for $50 00, heretofore presented, for services as one of the assessors of the cost of building the Essex Street sewer, presented a report recommending that the bill be referred to the Water Commissioners, with power to settle the same as they may see fit.

On motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That the report be received and the recommendation adopted.

On motion of Ald. Hoffman it was

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed to investigate the subject of the alleged overcharge made for printing Firemen's blank certificates.

Ald. Tilden, Erwin and Clarke were appointed such Committee.

Ald. Hoffman presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Common Council pass no new members to Hose or Engine Companies, where they have twenty-five members already elected, nor to Truck Companies where they have fifty members.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Hoffman, Tyrrell and Thurston

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Edge, Hoffman, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—Ald. Erwin.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Drayton, Gardner, Insley, McComb and Wilson.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, February 17th, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—President Davenport and Ald. Cobb, Erwin, Gardner and Hoffman.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, Ald. Insley was appointed President pro tempore.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 3d instant, and of the adjourned regular meeting of the 10th instant, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of James Lightbody, for the adoption of measures to secure the speedy completion of the Newark Avenue Sewer. Laid upon the table.

Communication from Henry A. Booraem in relation to property in the Fourth Ward, advertised to be sold for taxes of 1856, but which is not accurately described, &c. Ref. to Com. on Finance.

Petition of James Gopsill and others, late members of Hudson Hose Company, No. 1, to be re-admitted to the Fire Department and to be recognized and designated as Hudson Hose Company, No. 1. Prayer of petitioners granted.

Communication from the officers of Hudson Hose Company, No. 1, enclosing resolutions adopted by said Company, respecting their disbandment. Ordered filed.

Two remonstrances, signed by Cornelius Kane and Joseph Babcock, against the confirmation of the assessment for improvement of Monmouth Street. Ref. to Com. on Assessments.

Remonstrance by H. Traphagen and others, against the confirmation of the assessment for the regulation, &c., of Pavonia Avenue from Provost Street to Monmouth Street. Ref. to Com. on Assessments.

Petition of William Sinclair, Agent of the Paterson and New York Plank Road Company, asking permission to erect a guide post for their road on the north west corner of Grove Street and Pavonia Avenue. Laid upon the table.

Petition of thirteen of the late members of Engine Company, No. 3 to be reinstated in their former position as members of the Jersey City Fire Department, with all their time, &c. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

O'Keeney & Halladay, $7.50. Ref. to Com. on Streets

Of New York Wire Railing Co., $38.71. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of S. Billington, $17.50; and D. Bedford, $12.00. Ref. to Com. on Alms.

Of J. B Stone $30.00; White & Chilver, $12.13. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Alexander Love, $350.00. Ref. to Com. on Streets, afterwards reported correct, the rules suspended for the purpose, and the claim ordered paid.

A communication from the Board of Education, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received, and warrants for the following named amounts were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of the claimants respectively named.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office, on Tuesday evening, February 10th, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That requisition be made upon the Common Council in favor of the following persons, and for the amounts set opposite their respective names.

To Ephraim Pray for sundry repairs to school No. 1,			$3 50
Cronham & Wetterson, for glazing Sc'l No. 1		1	1.75
" " " " " "		2	2.56
James McLaughlin for repairs	" "	2	13.87
John Pringle for plumbing	" "	1	11.76
Ivison & Phinney for singing books	" "	1	33.75
" " " " "	" "	2	33.75
C. Shepherd & Co. books & stationery	"	1	164.54
" " " " "	"	2	211.75
" " for Normal class			12.26
R. B. Earle & Co. for furniture			16 62
McGuigan & Nugent for repairs			8.00
Total,			$513.61

Passed by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, Feb. 16, 1857.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing a certiorari at the suit of Stephen W Smith and others, to remove into Supreme Court the "assessment for the filling of Morgan street between Warren and Prospect street." Received and referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The Recorder's report for the quarter ending January 31st, 1857, were presented, received and ordered filed.

The official bond of Benjamin O. Edge as Water Commissioner referred to Corporation Attorney on the 3d instant was reported by that officer as negligently and imperfectly drawn, and a new bond executed by Benjamin O. Edge, as Water Commissioner, and George W. Edge, and H. M. Traphagen, as sureties, was reported by the Corporation Attorney.

The imperfect bond was ordered to be returned to Mr. Edge, and the new one was approved and ordered to be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annex dis a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twenty days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, February 17th, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have Bay street from Prospect street to the center of Warren street filled in, and raised to the established grade.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have Bay street from Prospect street to the center of Warren street, filled in, and raised to the established grade, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the Third Tuesday in February next, at 7½ o'clock P. M.; at which time it will hear and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing to the said improvement.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, January 22, 1857. td

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City, that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twelve days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, February 17th, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of assessment for regulating South Third Street from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth Street.

Notice is hereby given that the assessor's report and map for regulating South Third Street from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth Street, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery Street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in February inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider

all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, February 5th, 18 7. td

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twelve days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, February 17th, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of Assessment for regulating Monmouth Street, between South Second Street and South Eighth Street.

Notice is hereby given that the assessor's report and map for regulating Monmouth Street, between South Second Street and South Eighth Street, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery Street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in February inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, February 5th, 1857. td

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twelve days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, February 17th, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of Assessment for regulating Bay street between Prospect street and Grove street

Notice is hereby given, that the Assessor's Report and Map for regulating Bay street between Prospect street and Grove street, is on file in the City Clerk's Office, No. 23 Montgomery Street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in February inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, February 5th, 1857. td

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for twelve days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, February 17th, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of Assessment for regulating Pavonia Avenue from Provost street to Monmouth street, except the Public or Hamilton square.

Notice is hereby given that the Assessor's Report and Map for regulating Pavonia Avenue from Provost street, to Monmouth street except the Public or Hamilton Square, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in February inst., at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, February 5th 1857 td.

The report was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the following elections and expulsions by that Department.

Elections of William H Keeney, Alfred Jacobs, Garret Van Vorst, James M. Clarke and Phineas T. Bates, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 2.

Expulsions of William A. Crawford, Wm. Dutcher, John Engler, James Linkroum and Samuel C. Lathrop, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 2.

Communications received, the elections approved, and the names of the expelled members ordered to be stricken from the roll of the Fire Department.

A communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department recommending that only one Fire Company be located in the House at the junction of York and Gregory Streets was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, reporting the following Companies as having violated the provisions of the Fire Department Ordinance, by going beyond the limits of the city with their apparatus, without the consent of the proper authorities viz: Engine Companies Nos. 1, 2 and 4; and Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, and Hose Co. No 2.

Received, and referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

The Committee on Streets reported a bond, signed by J. D. Miller, and approved by the Corporation Attorney, indemnifying the City against any expense for changing the grade of Prospect street, south of South 5th street, to a point, north of South 8th street. The bond was approved and ordered to be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The following claims for work and materials in the improvement of Prospect street from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue referred to the Committee on Streets, at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct, for the following amounts and the claims were then referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

Of E. N. Cleveland $275.00; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $156.15; and William A. Cumming, $13820 92.

On motion of Ald. Thompson. it was

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to correct claim No. 8488, of Keeney & Halladay $43.30; so as to read in repairing the *easterly* intersection of Bay and Grove streets, instead of the *westerly* intersection, and also to alter the entry of said claim. in the claim book, so as to correspond with such correction.

Ald. McComb being the only member of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings present, requested the appointment of a member of the Board as a member of said Committee for this meeting, and Ald. Clarke was thereupon appointed.

The following claims and accounts, referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of D. Bedford, $9.75; Cronham & Wetterson, $3 91; Cronham & Wetterson, $1.00; J. Van Vorst, $50.00; W. A. Cumming. $58 92; I. Wakefield, $1.50; J. Wandle, $31.25; J. Wandle, $31.25; I. B. & D. E. Culver, $5 00; G. Quaife & Co., $145 00; Cronham & Wetterson, $2.19; and W. Bumstead & Co. $9.37.

Ald. Clarke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be and are hereby authorized to have a lamp and post erected on the corner of Prospect and North First streets.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Wilson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby requested to secure for the uses of the City Clerk's office and Recorder's office, upper part of the building at the cor-

ner of Montgomery and Warren sts., provided the same can be rented for a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings with power.

Ald Thompson offered the following preamble and resolution.

Whereas, An assessment has been made by the Mayor and Common Council, for the regulation of Pavonia Avenue from Provost street to Erie street, and on the 25th of Nov. 1856, Improvement Certificates were by resolution, ordered to be drawn in favor of Wm. A. Cumming, for five thousand dollars on account of his contract, for regulating Pavonia Avenue, from *Prospect* to Erie streets, which Improvement Certificates have been delivered to said Cummings and Whereas the word *Prospect* should have been Provost therefore.

Resolved That the said Improvement Certificate be treated by the officers of this Corporation as though such mistake had not occurred, and be paid out of whatever monies may be collected on the assesement for regulations of Pavonia Avenue between Provost street and Erie street.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

Ald Tilden offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The inhabitants of the State of New Jersey are directly or remotely connected in interest and welfare with the commercial prosperity of the cities of Philadelphia and New York, in adjoining States:

And Whereas It has been deemed wise and prudent to establish Quarantine and adopt Health Laws, against the introduction of fearful epidemics from sickly ports:

And Whereas, The State of New Jersey by Commissioners appointed to negotiate with Commissioners of the State of New York, did in 1834 fix the boundaries wherein each State was to exercise jurisdiction, and Quarantine regulations over the river and bay connected with the port of New York:

And Whereas, Those arrangements heretofore salutary in preventing the introduction of Small Pox. Cholera and Yellow fever into the midst of a dense population, now numbering more than one million of human beings congregated in and near the city of New York, have ceased to be so, owing to the nearness of vessels to the city held in Quarantine

And Whereas, The yellow fever recently desolated the cities of New Orleans, Norfolk and Portsmouth, and notwithstanding the sanitary regulations under the above agreement the same fearful disease during the last Summer and Fall, found its way upon Long Island, into Brooklyn and New York and cases of death occurred from it in Jersey City and other places in this State.

And Whereas, The people and authorities of the cities of Brooklyn and New York have become alarmed, fearing that terrible pestilence be again brought to their doors, and by its fearful ravages begetting a panic, destroy for the time being their commerce and trade, cause the inhabitants to forsake their homes and business and flee for safety, and are taking measures to remove the Quarantine from the present location at Staten Island, now but one mile from the soil of New Jersey and within six miles of New York and this city, to a more remote and isolated position.

And Whereas, The treasury of the State of New Jersey derives a large share of its revenue from transit duties on goods and passengers carried to and from the city of New York, amounting to more than $120,000 per annum, which will be greatly diminished should that city be visited with this desolating scourge.

Be it Resolved, That the inhabitants of Jersey City and the people of this part of the State are deeply involved in the prosperity of the city and port of New York, and the Common Council recommend an earnest co-operation with the people of Brooklyn and New York in the effort to remove the Quarantine from its present location further down the bay, for the purpose of isolating its contagious and infectious diseases without which there must always exist more or less insecurity to the public health.

Resolved, That we respectfully recommend to our fellow citizens the circulation of memorials to the Legislature of this State for the revival of a commission similar to that of 1834 favoring the views herein contained.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, it was

Resolved, That the action of this Common Council at its last meeting in adopting the report of the Committee on Police and Licenses, recommending the granting of the prayer contained in the petition of David Scott, be rescinded, and that said application be recommitted to the Committee on Police and Licenses.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, David Scott was appointed a City Auctioneer.

On motion of Ald. Tilden the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Policeman to be detailed for service at the Ferry.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell, the rule requiring a balloting, was suspended, to enable the Board to make the appointment *viva voce*.

Whereupon, on motion of Ald. Tilden, George E. Clark was appointed such Policeman.

On motion of Ald. McComb, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be empowered to sell the House formerly occupied by Hook & Ladder Company, No. 2.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 3d, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P.M.

Present—President Davenport and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

The minutes of the previous meeting held February 17th, 1857, were read and approved.

Petitions, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of J. G. & I. Edge, and others to have Bay street, from Washington street to Greene street, including intersections, filled in to the established grade, and also to have Greene street filled in to the established grade, curb and gutter set, the sidewalks laid and re-laid, bridge stone cross walks laid at the intersections, and the street paved, from Steuben street to Harsimus street, including all intersections, and also to have the sidewalks laid and relaid from Montgomery street to Steuben street; and for the privilege until the first day of July next of doing their own work on the above improvement.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, it was Resolved, That the petition be referred to the Committee on Streets, and that the owners have the privilege of doing their own work as prayed for.

Petition of D. S. Sinclair and others to have the side walks in front of lots 7, 9, 11, 21 and 23 in block 2 (as designated on Clerk & Bacot's map) curbed and flagged. Ref. to Committee on streets.

Petition of the Foreman of and Secretary of Fire Engine Co. No. 2 to have a hearing granted to Prior Donnelly, an expelled member of said Company. Ref. to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Garret E. Winants for the purpose of filling in, and raising to the established grade that part of Bay street in front of his property, commencing on the west side of Warren street, extending to and within two hundred feet of Prospect street, and to have ten months for the performance and completion of the work.

On motion of Ald. Wilson it was Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner be granted, provided that he shall perform and complete the work within six months from this time.

Petition of Robert C. Bacot and others to have a main sewer built in South Fifth street, together with its lateral sewers, from the Hudson River on the east side of Prospect street to extend up said South Fifth street to the Mill Creek, according to the plan of sewerage of the City. Ref. to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of James Gopsill to be appointed a City Auctioneer. Ref. to Committee on Police and Licenses.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of J. F. Richardson, $17.00; Rea & Pollock, $1 57; and Thomas Howe, $23.99. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of J. Marshall, $22.00; Van Buskirk's Express, $21.25. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Drayton & Durant, $120.62; C. F. Gardner, $72.64, Hugh Riley, $35.48; C. A. Betts, $18.42; and Isaac Wakefield, $9 07.

Of H. A. Miller, $ 46.14; H. A. Miller, $12.82; H. Billingsly, $31 00; J. F. Richardson, $35 50; and Isaac Wakefield, $26.21. Ref. to Com. on Lamps.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office, this day, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedisgs of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, JERSEY CITY, March 2, 1857.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:—

I have received, and herewith return without my approval a resolution authorizing and empowering the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to lease or secure for the use of the City Clerk's office and the Recorder's office the upper part of the building at the corner of Montgomery and Warren streets, provided the same can be rented for a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars. The terms of the resolution before me are so vague and uncertain, that I cannot give it my sanction. It proposes to rent the upper part of the building; whether this includes the third and second stories or the third story alone, the resolution does not define, nor does it fix the period for which the city is to pay a rental of three hundred dollars, for the upper part of said building. The upper story of said building surely would not be adapted to the object proposed, and the second story, if partitioned across would but illy accommodate the two offices as there would be no access to the one without passing through the other.

All will concur in the propriety of concentrating the Council Chamber and all the public offices, in some central locality, as soon as circumstances will admit. The proposed change, however, will not tend to consummate this much desired object; nor afford the necessary accommodations to the offices proposed to be removed, as the new location will furnish no better security to the public papers and records, against destruction by fire, than we now possess; and this, in my opinion, should be paramount to all other considerations in making the change.

Besides in removing these offices, you will readily perceive, that in addition to the increase of rent, and the cost of transferring the furniture, nearly all the expenditures incurred, for papering the walls, painting and graining the wood work, hanging the windows with blinds and shades, oil cloths for floor, grate for fire place, gas fixtures, &c., in fitting up said offices, will be a total loss to the city, and a similar expenditure would again be incurred of some hundreds of dollars, in fitting up private property at the public expense.

I therefore return the resolution without my signature, trusting that your Honorable body upon further reflection, will concur in the propriety of the course I have been compelled to adopt.

D. S. MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Cobb moved that the resolution do now pass notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Thompson, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thurston and Tilden.

Absent—Ald Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

A communication was presented from the Secretary of the Board of Water Commissioners, stating that he is directed by said Board to say that they have settled the bills of Messrs. Randall, Brower and Quaife, for services as Commissioners on Essex street sewer, the said bills having on the 2d October, 1855, been referred to the Board of Water Commissioners for adjustment. Communication received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the resignations from Hose Co. No. 1 of William Keeney and John R. Halladay.

Communication received and the usual entries of the resignation ordered to be made.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners of which the following is a copy was presented, received and ordered filed.

OFFICE OF WATER COMMISSONERS.
Jersey City, March 2d, 1857.

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

The Board of Water Commissioners ask leave to call your attention to the subject of sewers.

We refer you to a communication from this Board of the 7th October last, which was accompanied by a report from our Engineer, pointing out the difficulties and dangers of commencing the building of sewers in the Fall of the year.

As the Spring is now opening and as much delay will occur in publishing preliminary notices to make assessments for the work legal and collectable, and a further delay takes place in advertising for propo-

sale, and in making contracts for the work, it is quite desirable that you should take early action on such applications as are now before you, or which may be presented, that your instructions to us to proceed with the work may be received by this Board, as soon as possible, and at a suitable season of the year for building sewers.

By order of the Board,

D. S. GREGORY, President.

Ald. Insley being the only member of the Committee on Alms present, asked to have a member of the Board appointed on that Committee for this meeting whereupon Ald. Cobb was appointed.

The Special Committee appointed to investigate the subject of the alleged over-charge for printing Firemen's blank certificates, presented a report exonerating the party who printed them, the Chairman of the Committee on Fire and Water, and also all other parties from any intentional desire to defraud the City, &c. Report received, ordered filed and the Committee discharged.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred on the 20th January last, the claim of Keeney & Halladay, amounting to $61 00, for extra work on Hook & Ladder House, No. 2, reported that said work was not authorized by the Committee, but that the amount which has been expended, does not exceed the appropriation made for building the house. Report received and the claim ordered paid.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, to whom was referred on the 20th January last, the communication of the Chief of Police, in reference to the insecure condition of the City Prison, &c., presented a report setting forth that it is inexpedient to make any alterations or additions at the present time, &c. Report received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, to whom was referred on the 13th January last, the claim of William Roosevelt, amounting to $50, for rent of the public pound to January 1st, 1857, reported that said claim having been mislaid by the Committee, Mr. Roosevelt, by their request, subsequently presented another bill for said rent, which has been paid. Report received, and the City Clerk requested to make a memorandum of the fact in the claim book.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, reported that they have sold the House, formerly occupied by Hook & Ladder Company No. 2, and have deposited the proceeds of the sale in the City Treasury; the receipt of the City Treasurer being attached to the report. Report received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings returned the claim of White & Culver, amounting to $12.13, referred to said Committee on the 17th February last, and the same was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees the rules suspended for the purpose of enabling the Board to audit the claims, and the same were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department, $979.99; Nathaniel Ellis, $22.63; William Sanderson, $25.00; Henry Taylor, $50.15; Mary Carroll $36 00; and Mrs. Eaton, $20.50.

The following claims referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of J. B. Stone, $30 00; David Bedford, $12.00; S. Billington, $17 50; P. D. Vroom, $64.20: J. F. Richardson, $29 86; Drayton & Durant, $137.78; and Morrell & Vanderbeek, $3.00.

The following claims referred to the Committee on Alms, on the 3d February last, were reported correct for the following amounts, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of Charles T. Gardner, $894 14; and W. H. Dame, $61.79.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating South 3d street from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth street and that said Assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of John R. Halladay, for two thousand three hundred and sixty-seven 33 100 dollars being the amount of his bill for regulating South Third street, between Jersey Avenue and Monmouth street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E. Culver for forty-six dollars, being the amount of their bill for regulating South Third street from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth street and that His Honor the Mayor, be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William Moore, for 43 25-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating South Third Street from Jersey Avenue to Monmouth Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees, to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Bay Street between Prospect and Grove street, and that said assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Keeny & Halladay for forty-three 30-100 dollars, being the amount of their bill for regulating Bay Street, between Prospect and Grove

Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Keeney & Halladay, for two thousand and two 39-100 dollars being the amount of their bill for regulating Bay Street, between Prospect and Grove Streets, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None

Absent—Ald. Edge, Hoffman, and Insley.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of E. N. Cleveland, for thirty two 50-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Bay Street, between Prospect and Grove street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden Tyrrell and Wilson

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Edward Coles, for seventy-one 50-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Bay Street, between Prospect and Grove Streets, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Cobb Drayton Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

On motion of Ald. Drayton the petitions of James Lightbody for the speedy completion of the Newark Avenue sewer, and William Keeney to have refunded to him the money pledged to defray the preliminary expenses for the construction of the South 3d Street sewer, were taken from the table, and ordered filed.

On motion of Ald. Drayton, the Message of His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board on the 2d September, 1856, vetoing the following resolution, (passed August 28th, 1856) and also the motion made on the 2d September, 1856, by Ald. Wortendyke, to "pass said resolution notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor" were taken from the table:

Whereas, serious doubts exist respecting the sufficiency and legality of the preliminary proceedings had by the Common Council under the application for building a sewer in Wayne street, from Hudson street, running through Newark Avenue and Railroad Avenue, with their lateral sewers and tributaries, &c. Also for a sewer in South 3d street, from the E side of Provost street to Monmouth street, with laterals, &c., and this Common Council being desirous to avoid all possible risk to the city, in the construction and costs of said works involving a large cost and expenditure.

Therefore Resolved, That all the proceedings taken by the Common Council and now unrescinded, relating to the above stated applications for sewers be and they are hereby rescinded: and that said applications be referred back to the Com. on Sewers.

The motion to pass the resolution, "notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor, was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke. Cobb, Drayton, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nay—Ald. Erwin.

Absent—Ald. Edge, Gardner and Hoffman.

Ald. Insley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prosperity of the city, and the convenience and safety of its citizens demand, that the streets of the City should be lighted with gas, and inasmuch as the Mayor and Common Council have not been able to effect an arrangement to do so, and at the same time protect the interest of private consumers; that this board regard with favor the effort now being made to incorporate the Union Gas Light Company, for this city and vicinity.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings are hereby empowered to hire for the next year, commencing May 1st, 1857, suitable offices for the City Clerk, Recorder and Comptroller, and also a room for the Common Council to hold its meetings in; provided that the rent shall not exceed the amount paid for the same during the current year.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk transmit to both branches of the Legislature now in session, a copy of the proceedings adopted by the Common Council on the 17th February, on the subject of Health Laws and Quarantine for vessels entering the Port of New York, having the Yellow Fever or other pestilential diseases on board. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Insley offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That as the Chief of Police has reported to this Board a very large number of persons who are violating the City Ordinance, concerning Inns and Taverns, by selling liquor without a license: that the Recorder and City Attorney are hereby directed to bring suits against all persons thus offending, and that an amount equal to one half of the fines collected be paid to the complainant, in each case, out of the City Treasury. The resolution was adopted.

(Ald. Cobb obtained leave and retired.)

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, be and is hereby instructed to put Hudson Hose Co., No. 1, on duty, and to place them in possession of the House formerly occupied by Hercules Engine Co No. 3, and that he store the apparatus of Engine Co., No. 3 in the old Truck House in Sussex street. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Tyrrell offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, An act to incorporate "The Union Gas Light Company of Jersey City" is now pending before the Legislature of this State, and whereas, by the provisions of said act the Company is made, as in the opinion of this Board it should be subordinate to the city authorities, and the price of Gas limited both to the public and private consumers, thereby protecting our city and citizens against extortions from private and monied corporations, the weight of which influence, it cannot be denied, has already tended to paralyze the growth of our city,

Therefore be it Resolved, That our Representatives from this County in the Senate and Assembly be re-

quested to urge the passage of this act now before the Legislature.

And be it further Resolved, That copies of this preamble and resolutions be certified by the President of this Board, and the corporate seal of the City be affixed by the Mayor and City Clerk, and one copy transmitted to our Senator, and one to our Representatives in the Assembly, to be by them presented to the Legislature.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Ald. Wilson, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 17, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P.M

Present—President Davenport and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell

Absent—Ald. Cobb, and Wilson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of the Patent Water and Gas Pipe Company, for permission to fill in to the established grade in front of their property, in Greene Street from Horsimus to Bay Street, &c. Ref. to Com. on Streets.

Remonstrance of Morrell & Vanderbeek and others against paving Greene street from Steuben street to Horsimus street, and against the laying of Bridge stones at the intersections, &c. Ref. to Com. on Streets.

Petition of B. R. Wakeman and others in favor of the licensing of Nathaniel Crowley to peddle fish and vegetables. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses

Petition of Abraham Collard for permission to fill in a pond of stagnant water, in front of his premises, known as Nos. 331, 333, 335, 337 and 339 South Seventh Street. Ref. to Com. on Streets.

Petition of William A. Cumming, contractor, to be allowed additional interest on the amount of his contract, for paving, flagging, &c., Jersey Avenue from Mercer to Grand Street. Ref. to Com. on Assessments.

Petition of Thomas T. Lacy, enclosing a declaration of sale for a lot bought by him at the Tax sale of June 9, 1854, and asking that the purchase money paid by him be refunded with interest, for the reason that the property designated was not correctly described in the advertisement of sale. Ref. to Com. on Finance.

Application of John Post and others, for the construction of a main sewer from the Hudson River, east of Greene Street, through Wayne Street to Railroad Avenue, through Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue, through Newark Avenue to the intersection of the same with South 7th Street, thence through South 7th street to the water of Mill Creek 100 feet west of Brunswick Street, and the connecting laterals, necessary culverts, receiving basins, man holes, flushing gates, &c., conformable to the general plan of sewerage

Ald. Drayton, from the Committee on Sewers, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the application, which has just been presented, of John Post and others for the construction of a main sewer in Wayne street, Railroad Avenue, Newark Avenue and South Seventh Street, with the connecting laterals, necessary culverts, receiving basins, main holes, flushing gates, &c., conformable to the general plan of sewerage, be received and referred to the Committee on Sewers; that Wednesday the first day of April nex, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the said Committee will meet at the City Clerk's office, to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same; that the first Tuesday in April next, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time, when the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, and will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement which may be presented in writing; and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for at least ten days, a notice of the presentation of said application, of the nature of the same, and of the times and places of hearing objections thereto.

Petition of Henry Stiff for permission to run back carriages from the ferry to different parts of the city until the first of June next. Ref. to Com on Police and Licenses.

Petition of John McDonald and John Van Vorst, executors of the estate of John Arbuckle, deceased, to have refunded to them the sum of thirty-two dollars and eighty-seven cents, being part of the taxes of 1854 and 1855, on said estate, paid twice by mistake.

On motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John McDonald and John Van Vorst, executors of the estate of John Arbuckle, deceased, for the sum of thirty-two dollars and seventy eight cents to refund taxes of 1854 and 1855, paid by that estate twice by mistake.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Thomas B. Kissam, $3.00. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licensss.

Of Ransom & Jeliffe, $90 00. Ref. to Com. on Laws and Ordinances.

Of P. H. Zabriskie, $4.00; and Pine & Hartshorn, $80.00. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Keeney & Halladay, $14.72; McGuigan & Nugent, $53 31; McGuigan & Nugent, $3 84; W. Howeth, $3 00; and H. Stiff, $7.50. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The following claims and accounts were presented received, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules suspended for the purpose of enabling the Board to audit the claims and the same were reported correct and ordereed paid, viz:

Of George E. Cutter $421.88; and Nathaniel Ellis, $145.00.

The following claims referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of H. A. Miller $146 14; Drayton & Durant, $130 62; Charles T. Gardner, $72 64; New York Wire Railing Company, $38.71; J. F. Richardson, $75 50; Hugh Reilly, $35.48; Hugh Billingsley, $31.00; Isaac Wakefield, $26.21; Thomas Howe, $8 99; Charles N. Betts, $18.42; J. F. Richardson $17.00; T. S. Shaw, $16 00; White & Chilver, $12 13; Hoyt & Covkenda le $11.14; Isaac Wakefield, $9 07; S. A French, $3.63; and Rea & Pollock, $1.57.

The Committee on Lamps, to whom was referred on the 3d, instant, the claim of H. A. Miller, amounting to $12 52, returned the same, and it was then referred to the Committee on Police and Licenses.

The City Clerk laid before the Board the following communication from His Honor the Mayor, filed in the City Clerk's office, on the 14th instant, and the same was read, received, and ordered to be entered at large on the Journal of proceedings of the Common Council.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, JERSEY CITY March 13, 1857.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:—

I herewith return without my approval a resolution setting forth "that the Chief of Police has reported to this Board a very large number of persons who are violating the city ordinance, concerning Inns and Taverns, by selling liquor without a license that the Recorder and City Attorney are hereby directed to bring suit against all persons thus offending, and that an amount equal to one half of the fines collected, be paid to the complainant in each case."

While I cheerfully concur in the propriety of having the laws faithfully executed, and enforced against every offender, I cannot consent to violate the law myself, for said object, by approving a resolution, a portion of which, is so palpably at variance with the charter and the ordinances under it.

The charter expressly directs that when the salary of an officer shall once be fixed, he shall not be paid any increased compensation for services appertaining to his office.

The 7th section of the ordinance regulating the Police Department, directs that the Chief of Police "Shall promptly make complaint against all persons that may be found driving a cart, omnibus or coach, peddling fish and vegetables, and selling intoxicating drinks without a license, * * or in any other business that violates the laws of this State." It will thus plainly be seen, that the Chief is either an unfaithful officer, or is misrepresented in the resolution before me, for by the resolution it is clearly expressed and implied, that the Chief does know of a large number of persons who are violating the city ordi

nance concerning Inns and Taverns, by selling liquor without a license, and is waiting until he shall be entitled to one half of the fines for each complaint.

The 24th section of the ordinance regulating the duties of the Policemen, says: "It shall be their duty to make complaint of every person to the chief of Police or Recorder * * of every violation of the ordinances of the city, with which they or either of them may become acquainted, and for this duty which they have sworn to perform, they cannot receive any increased compensation beyond their fixed salary.

Our citizens have cheerfully submitted to a direct tax, of some twelve thousand dollars, to support the Police Department, for the express purpose of maintaining the Peace, and making prompt complaint against every person that may be found offending against the laws and ordinances of the city—therefore to pay an officer a bonus for that which is already his duty, and which he is sworn to perform, would seem to me alike degrading the Department, as well as exhibiting on our part, an unwarrantable assumption of power.

Besides, the resolution proposes to give to private citizens, as well as officers, one half of the fines imposed, in consideration of making the complaint. This surely would tend to defeat the ends of justice, by rendering the complainant incompetent to testify on the ground of interest, and there certainly is no legal authority, by which the complainant could be paid for his services from the City Treasury. With this brief view of the subject, I return the resolution for re-consideration, trusting that the proper officers will do their duty without a bonus, and make prompt complaint as the ordinance directs, against all persons offending against the laws of the city.

D. S MANNERS, Mayor.

Ald. Edge moved "That the resolution do now pass, notwithstandng the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, and Tyrrell.

Nays—Ald. Clarke Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Hoffman. McComb, and Tilden.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, and Wilson.

A communication was presented from the Water Register setting forth that lot 21 Grove street in block 127, was erroneously returned to the Common Council, among the arrearages for water rents and sold on the 8th November, 1856, the water rents due on said lot having been previously paid at the water commissioner's office.

The communication was received; and Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That the sale of lot 21 Grove street on block 127, for arrears of water rents, made by this corporation on the 8th November last, be cancelled of record, for the reason that said water rents were previously paid at the water commissioners' office, and said lot was by mistake included in the return of arrearages, and that a warrant for the purchase money and interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum, be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the purchaser, and be delivered to him on his surrendering his declaration of sale to the City Clerk for cancelling.

A communication was presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department stating that he has removed the apparatus of Engine Company No. 3, to the old truck House, and has delivered to Messrs. Van Winkle and Rouse, the property belonging to said Company, and has placed in the house of Engine Company No. 3, Hudson Hose Company No. 1, as directed by a resolution of the Common Council. The communication was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department announcing the following elections, transfer and resignation in that department.

Elections of Benjamin O. Warren, and Warren K. Witherell, by Hook & Ladder Company No 2; Wm. J. Van Duser and Henry H Gordon, by Hook & Ladder Company No. 1; Joseph D Gopsil, by Engine Co. No. 5; and James G. Williams and Ferdinand Smith by Engine Co. No. 1.

Transfer of Richard M. Jordan, from Engine Co. No. 1, to Hose Co. No 4.

Resignation of William Conway from Engine Co. No. 1. Communications received; elections and transfer approved; and the proper entry of the resignation ordered to be made in the roll book of the Fire Department.

The City Treasurer's report for February, 1857, showing a balance in the Treasury on the 1st March instant, amounting to $7986.21 was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The resignation of John Cadugan as a Policeman, to take effect on the 1st of April 1857, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred on the 3d February, 1857, the petition of William Harrison to have cancelled the sale of his lots made on the 27th July, 1855, for taxes of 1854, presented a report and the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale of lots 4 and 5 Jersey Avenue, in block 201, for taxes of 1854, made to the City Treasurer by this corporation on the 27th July, 1855, be cancelled by the City Clerk. The report was accepted, and resolution adopted.

Ald. Hoffman, from the Committee on Fire and Water, verbally reported on the petition referred to that Committee on the 17th February last, of thirteen of the late members of Engine Company, No. 3, asking to be reinstated in their former position, as members of the Fire Department, with all their time, prileges and immunities unimpaired by the late action disbanding said Company, stating that since the petition has been in the possession of the Committee three names have been added it; and on motion of Ald. Hoffman, it was

Resolved, That A. W. Van Winkle, Thomas Gross, John O en Rouse, John J. Wanner, James W. Palmer, George Duncan, William Young, Maynard Sharp, Joseph Quaife, Nathaniel Turner, R. R. Appleyea, James Wakefield, Isaac Edge Junior, James F. Fielder, William Gautier and James R. Gautier, be reinstated as members of the Fire Department, and be reorganized and designated as Hercules Engine Company, No. 3.

The Joint Committee on Streets and Assessments, to whom was referred on the 2 th January last the communication or remonstrance of Breese, Kneeland & Co., and others, respecting the grade of Warren street presented a report setting forth that the objections are not well founded, and recommending that the assessment be confirmed. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Police and Licenses, to whom was referred on the 3d instant, the application of James Gopsill to be appointed a City Auctioneer, presented a report recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. The report was received and adopted.

On motion of A'd. Thompson it was Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be associated with the Committee on Assessments for the purpose of enacting said Committees to make a joint report on the remonstrance referred to the Committee on Streets on the 17th February last, of H. Traphagen and others, against the confirmation of the Assessment for the regulations, &c., of Pavonia Avenue from Provost street to Monmouth street.

The Joint Committee on Assessments and streets, presented a report on the remonstrance, referred to the Committee on Assessments, on the 17th ultimo, of H. Traphegen, and others, against the confirmation of the Pavonia Avenue Assessmeet, setting forth that the work on said Avenue has been done strictly according to contract, and recommending that the Assessment be confirmed. Report received and adopted.

A report was presented from the Charter Convention) containing papers of that Convention, and, on request that "the Common Council pay the Hon.

James S. Nevius, one hundred dollars for his legal services as Counsel, in drafting papers for the Charter Convention. The report and accompanying papers, were received, ordered filed; and on motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That a warrant for one hundred dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of James S. Nevius for his legal services as Counsel, in drafting papers for the Charter Convention.

On motion of Ald. Drayton it was

Resolved, That the rule requiring reports to be signed by a majority of a Committee be suspended to enable the Board to receive a report from the Committee on Sewers, signed by only one member thereof.

Whereupon Ald. Drayton from the Committee on Sewers, presented a report signed by himself alone, respecting the applications referred back on the 3d instant, for building sewers in Wayne Street, Newark Avenue and Rail Road Avenue, and in South Third Street, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient and inadvisable to proceed to the construction of main sewers in Wayne street, from Hudson Street, running through Newark and Rail Road Avenues and South Third Street, from Provost to Monmouth Street, with their lateral and tributaries under the present applications; and that it is hereby recommended to parties interested in said proposed improvements that they present new applications to the Common Council provided they still desire the constructions of said sewers; this course being the one best calculated to procure the speedy construction of the same legally and satisfactorily to all parties interested therein. The report and resolution were received and laid upon the table.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Warren street, between Montgomery and Morgan street, and that said Assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None

Absent—Ald Cobb, and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William Moore, for one hundred and sixteen 25-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Warren street between Montgomery and Morgan street and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B. & D. E Culver for fifty-two 15-100 dollars being the amount of bill for regulating Warren street, between Montgomery and Morgan Streets, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessment presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Patrick McCafferty, for three thousand one hundred and seventy-eight 18-100 dollars being the balance of his bill for regulating Warren street between Montgomery and Morgan streets, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That one and one half per cent. be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Pavonia Avenue between Provost and Erie street, and that said Assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton. Edge, Erwin, Gardner. Hoffman, Insley McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

Ald Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of William A. Cumming, for two thousand, five hundred and seventy-six 78-100 dollars, being the balance of his bill for regulating Pavonia Avenue between Provost and Erie street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner. Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of Committee on Finance, in favor of Edward Coles, for sixty-nine dollars, being the amount of his bill for surveys and maps for the regulation of Pavonia Avenue between Provost and Erie streets, and that His Honor the Mayor, be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke. Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Edward Coles for sixty nine dollars being the amount of his bill for extra survey and maps for the regulation of Pavonia Avenue between Provost and Erie street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Cobb and Wilson.

Ald Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of John M. Leonard, for one hundred and sixty six 25-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending the regulation of Pavonia Avenue, between Provost and Erie streets, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

Ald. Erwin from the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That the following are hereby appointed as the places for holding the polls at the approaching Charter Election, viz:

First Ward—At the old Hook and Ladder House, in Sussex street, between Warren and Washington streets.

Second Ward—At the Engine House, at the junction of Gregory and York streets.

Third Ward—Engine House in Mercer street.

Fourth Ward—Hook and Ladder House, No 2 Erie street, between 3d and 4th streets.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred on the 3d February last, the claim of William B. Dunning, amounting to $5 00, reported that a duplicate of said claim has been presented and returned the same which was ordered filed.

The Committee on Fire and Water, returned the claim of John B. Haight, amounting to $24 80, referred to them on the 6th January last, and the same was referred to the Committee on Alms.

Ald. Clarke offered the following preamble and resolution.

Whereas the Jersey City Gas Light Company, has agreed to furnish Gas for the Public Street Lamps at the rate of $2 per thousand feet and has also agreed that as soon as the contract is signed for lighting said lamps, and said lamps are lighted, they will reduce the price of Gas to private consumers to $3. per thousand feet therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps, be and are hereby instructed to draft, or cause to be drafted a contract between the Mayor and Common Council, and the said Gas Light Company, to provide for the immediate lighting of our Public street Lamps, agreeable to the above named proposals.

Ald. Tilden moved that the preamble and resolution be laid upon the table.

The motion was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Ald. Edge, Hoffman and McComb.

Yeas—Ald. Erwin, Gardner, Hoffman, Insley, McComb, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nays—The President, Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, and Thompson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb and Wilson.

Ald. Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings are hereby instructed to have repaired the fences around Washington Square. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer is hereby requested to report to the Common Council at its next regular meeting the names of the parties by whom monies have been paid into the City Treasury, and the amounts paid by them respectively, to defray the preliminary expenses of building the Newark Avenue sewer; so that this Board may be enabled to order the proper warrants to be drawn on the City Treasurer for the refunding of said monies. The resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of Ald. Tilden, it was

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, to enable the Board to appoint *viva voce* a Policeman to fill the vacancy from the Fourth Ward, occasioned by the resignation of John Cadugan; and on motion of Ald. Tilden, John Parmly was appointed such Policeman.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to cause the following pumps to be removed, and the wells filled up: One in Sussex Street, near Hudson; one on corner of Grove and South Seventh streets; one in Morris Street, near Hudson; one in Grand Street, between Washington and Greene Streets; one corner Washington and York Street; one in Montgomery Street, near Greene Street, and that he be instructed to have the necessary flagging laid over such wells. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Insley offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That a special election be held in the Third Ward on the second Tuesday in April next, to elect an Alderman from said Ward, to fill the vacancy and to serve for the unexpired term of Jacob R. Wortendyke resigned, that the poll be held at the same place, be opened and closed at the same hours, that the election be conducted by the same officers, and be governed by the same rules and regulations in all respects as the election in said Ward for city and charter officers, which is to take place on that day; and that the same Board of city canvassers which is required to meet on the Friday next following the annual charter election on the second Tuesday in April next, is hereby constituted the same Board for canvassing the returns of said special election.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Third Ward is hereby requested to post notices for said special election, in the same places, and for the same length of time as he is by law requested to post notices of the annual charter election.

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to forward to the Clerk of the Third Ward, a copy of the above resolutions.

Ald. Erwin offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Common Council will entertain no proposition from the Jersey City Gas Light Company, to light the streets of the city with gas, until after some guarantee is received that said Company will comply with the terms of their agreement made in 1851, to furnish gas to the city and to private consumers, at the same current rates as it is supplied in the city of New York.

Ald. Drayton obtained leave and retired.

Ald. Tilden offered the following preamble and resolutions as a substitute for Ald. Erwin's resolution:

Whereas, The Jersey City Gas Light Company have refused to comply with a contract made by resolution passed Nov. 18, 1851, to light the city with gas, and to furnish private consumers with gas of good quality on the same terms that the Gas Light Companies of New York furnish to their consumers.

And whereas, The Legislature of this State have refused to charter the Union Gas Light Company of Jersey City, through the opposition and false representations of the Jersey City Gas Light Company, for the purpose of forcing the Common Council to contract with them to light the city with gas, contrary to the specified terms of a resolution passed 18th November, 1851, for lighting the city and furnishing private consumers with gas, on the same terms that the Gas Companies of New York shall furnish gas to their consumers.

Therefore Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be authorized and directed to call on the officers of the Jersey City Gas Light Company, and request the fulfilment of the terms of the resolution adopted November 18, 1851, in writing, and submit said agreement, if made to this Board, and in case of a refusal, to report the same.

(Ald Hoffman obtained leave and retired.)

The resolution of Ald. Erwin and the substitute proposed by Ald. Tilden were laid upon the table.

The City Clerk reported that there had been filed within this evening, the resignations of Ald. Drayton and Thompson, to take effect on the 1st of May next, and the resignation of Ald. Hoffman to take effect at once.

Ald. Tyrrell offered the following resolutione which were adopted :

Resolved, That a special election be held in the Third Ward, on the second Tuesday in April next, to elect an Alderman from said Ward, to fill the vacancy and to serve for the unexpired term of William R. Drayton, resigned; that the poll be held at the same place, be opened and closed at the same hour ; that the election be conducted by the same officers and be governed by the same rules and regulations in all respects as the election in said ward for City and Charter officers, which is to take place on that day ; and that the same Board of City Canvassers which is required to meet on the Friday next following the annual Charter Election on the Second Tuesday in April next, is hereby constituted the same board for canvassing the returns of said special election.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Third Ward is hereby directed to post notices for said special election in the same places and for the same length of time as he is by law, required to post notices of the annual charter election.

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby requested to forward to the Clerk of the Third Ward a copy of the above resolutions.

Ald. Tyrrell offered the following resolutions which were adopted :

Resolved, That a special election be held in the 1st Ward on the second Tuesday in April next, to elect an Alderman from said Ward to fill the vacancy and to serve for the unexpired term of James R. Thompson, resigned ; that the poll be held at the same place be opened and closed at the same hour, that the election be conducted by the same officers, and be governed by the same rules and regulations in all recpects as the election in said Ward for City and Charter officers which is to take place on that day, and that the same Board of City Canvassers which is required to meet on the Friday next following the annual Charter election on the second Tuesday in April next, is hereby constituted the same Board for canvassing the returns of said special election.

Resolved, That the Cletk of the First Ward is hereby directed to post notices for said special election, in the same places and for the same length of time as he is by law required to post notices of the annual charter election.

Resolved, that the City Clerk is hereby requested to forward to the Clerk of the First Ward, a copy of the above resolutions.

(Ald. Insley obtained leave and retired)

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the application which was presented to the Common Council on the 9th February, 1856, for the construction of a sewer in South Third Street, with all its lateral drains, commencing at the Hudson river near Provost Street, and running thence through South Third Street. to connect with the proposed Canal, substantially as shown on a sewerage map adopted by the Bourd of Water Commissioners, be received and referred to the Committee on Sewers ; that Wednesday, the first day of April next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be appointed as the time when the said Committee will meet at the City Clerk's office, to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same, that the first Tuesday in April next, at 7½ P. M., be appointed as the time when the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, and will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in ths Corporation paper for at least ten days, a notice of the presentation of said applioation, of the nature of the same, and of the times and places of hearing and receiving objections thercto.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved, That the following resolution, passed February 10th, 1857, be rescinded :

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to the Magretic Telegraph Company to erect a line of Telegraph along the route designated in their application, presented on the 20th of January, 1857, provided that said Company shall first enter into bond to be approved of by the Committee on Streets, to keep the Streets through which the line is erected in repair, and that this permission is to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to the Magnetic Telegraph Company to erect a line of Telegraph along the route designated in their application, presented on the 20th January, 1857, provided that said Company shall first enter into bond to be approved by the Committee on Streets, to keep the sidewalks around their teleg aph poles in repair at their own expense, and that this permission is to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at this place, on Tuesday next, the 24th instant, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Ald. Erwin, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are due, and are freely tendered to Aldermen Drayton, Thompson and Hoffman, for their courtesy towards the members of this Board, during the time they have been associated with it.

On motion of Ald. McComb, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, March 24th, 1857.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk, at 8½ o'clock P.M.

Present—Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Thompson, Thurston and Tilden.

Absent—President Davenport, and Ald. Cobb, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Tyrrell and Wilson.

There being no quorum present, on motion of Ald. Thompson, the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, April 7, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge and Gardner

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 17th March last, and of the adjourned regular meeting of the 21st March last, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Charles J. Smith and others, for the construction of a main sewer from the Hudson River east of Greene street, through Wayne street to Rail Road Avenue, through Rail Road Avenue to Newark Avenue, through Newark Avenue to the intersection of South Seventh street, with the laterals, &c

Ald Drayton offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the application of Charles J. Smith and others, for the construction of a main sewer through Wayne street, Rail Road Avenue and Newark Ave to its intersection with South Seventh street, with laterals, &c., which has just been presented, be received and referred to the Committee on Sewers; that Monday, the 20th instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the said Committee will meet at the City Clerk's office, to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same, and that Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, and will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper, for at least ten days, a notice of the presentation of said application, of the nature of the same, and of the times and places of hearing and receiving objections thereto.

Remonstrance of John Craven and others, against the construction of a main sewer in South 7th street in connection with the sewer through Newark Avenue, Rail Road Avenue and Wayne street, &c. Ref. to Com. on Sewers

Communication from the Overseer of the Poor, in reference to the escape of James Flynn, who was arrested on a charge of bastardy. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Petition of Samuel Bridgart and others, to have a side walk, four feet wide, laid on the "west side of Essex street, between Morris and Essex streets, and also on the north side of Essex street, west of Warren street, as far as Abraham Post's house, except the lot that is already paved." Ref. to Com. on Sts

Petition of Cartmen of Jersey City, for the passage of a new Ordinance licensing cartmen in the city, &c. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Petition of Homer Ramsdell, President of Long Dock Company, and others to have altered the grades of certain streets on the line of the Long Dock Company's Rail Road, accompanied by a map showing the proposed alterations.

Ald. Thurston offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the application of Homer Ramsdell, President of the Long Dock Company, and others, for the alteration of the grades of certain streets along the line of said Company's Rail Road, which has just been presented, be referred to the Committee on Streets, and the accompanying map be filed in the City Clerk's office; that Monday, the 20th instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the said Committee will meet at the City Clerk's office to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same, and that Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, and will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper, for at least ten days, a notice of the presentation of said application, of the nature of the same, and of the times and places of hearing and receiving objections thereto.

Petition of William Keeney and others, for the construction of a main sewer in South Third street, extending from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street, and lateral sewers, &c.

On motion of Ald. Drayton, it was

Resolved, That the application of William Keeney and others, for the construction of a main sewer in South Third street, with the necessary laterals, &c., which has just been presented, be received and referred to the Committee on Sewers; that Monday, the 20th instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the said Committee will meet at the City Clerk's office, to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same, and that Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, and will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper, for at least ten days, a notice of the presentation of said application, of the nature of the same, and of the times and places of hearing and receiving objections thereto.

Petition of J. B. Moffatt and others, for the construction of a main sewer from the western terminus of the sewer in Essex street, to extend through Van Vorst and Grand streets to the western line of Grove street, and to connect with the Canal at Grove street, for the purpose of flushing the same, and all the necessary tributary sewers, &c.

Ald. Drayton offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the application of John B. Moffatt and others, for the construction of a sewer from the western terminus of the sewer in Essex street, to extend through Van Vorst and Grand streets to the westerly line of Grove street, and to connect with the Canal at Grove street, for the purpose of flushing the same, and to construct all the necessary laterals, &c., which has just been presented, be received and referred to the Committee on Sewers; that Monday, the 20th instant, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., be appointed as the time when the said Committee will meet at the City Clerk's office, to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same, and that Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M., be appointed as the time when the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, and will receive and consider all objections to such improvement, which may be presented in writing, and that the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper, for at least ten days, a notice of the presentation of said application, of the nature of the same, and of the times and places of hearing and receiving objections thereto.

Petition of Stephen W. Treadwell, to be reimbursed for expenses incurred by him in taking prisoners to the County Jail. Ref. to a Special Committee, consisting of Ald. McComb, Insley and Thurston.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Charles T. Gardner, $118 94; Drayton & Durant, $117.15; Joshua A. French, $33.64; Brinkerhoff & Son, $22.25; and Henry Taylor, $40.55. Ref. to Com. on Alms

Of William W. Lee, $15.74, and J. F. Richardson, $9.00. Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Of William Coleman, $13.25. Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William W. Lee, $174.000. Ref. to Com. on Lamps.

Of Woolsey & Woolsey, $25.33. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of Philip Riley, $2 50, and Michael Killen, $1.25., Ref. to Com. on Streets.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate Committees;

the rules suspended for the purpose of enabling the Board to audit the claims, and the same were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department, $975.16; George W. Cassedy, $250.00; Robert S. Gilman, $175.00; J. V. Hardenburgh, $175.00; R. D. McClellan, $125.00; A. T. Smith, $100.00; James Clark, $56.00; George W. Cassedy, $50 00; I. H. Vondy, $50 00; J. F. Richardson, $18.00; Nathaniel Ellis, $32.24; Hugh Billingsley, $31.50; Mrs. Eaton, $20 50, and Keeney & Haliaday, $18.00.

The following claims referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of McGuigan & Nugent, $53.31; John B. Haight, $27.94; Keeney & Halladay, $14 52; H. A. Miller, $12 82; Henry Stiff, $7.50; McGuigan & Nugent, $3 82; William Howeth, $5.00, and Thomas B. Kissam, $3. 0.

The City Clerk presented a report, of which the following is a copy, and the report was received and ordered filed:

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for eighteen days previous to this date.

Dated Jersey City, April 7, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have a main sewer constructed in South 3d street, and connecting laterals.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City, for "a sewer to be constructed in South Third Street, with all its lateral drains, commencing at the Hudson River near Provost street, and running thence through South 3d street, to connect with the proposed canal, substantially as shown on a sewerage map adopted by the Board of Water Commissioners." In order to carry out the wishes of the petitioners, it being necessary to construct sewers in the following streets, viz: A main sewer in South 3d street, extending from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street, and lateral sewers in South 2d street, extending from Prospect street 200 feet east and 3 0 feet west, from Erie street 375 feet east and 200 feet west; from Jersey Ave. 200 feet east, and from Coles street 200 feet east; also in South 4th street, extending from Erie street 200 feet east, from Jersey Ave. 200 feet west, and from Coles street 200 feet west; also in Prospect street from South 1st street to South 4th street; also in Grove street from South 1st to South 3d street; also in Erie street from South 1st to South 4th street: also in Jersey Ave. from South 2d to South 4th street; and in Coles street from South 2d to South 4th street; the said lateral sewers to connect with and drain into the said main sewer, and the whole to be provided with the necessary connections, culverts, receiving basins, main holes, flushing gates, &c., and to conform in all essential particulars to the plan of sewerage proposed by the Water Commissioners, and adopted by the Common Council; and that the Committee on Sewers will meet at the City Clerk's office, on Wednesday, the first day of April next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M, to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same.

And that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in April next at 7½ o'clock P. M, at which time it will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, March 20th, 1857. td

The City Clerk presented a report, of which the following is a copy, and the report was received and ordered filed:

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel, for eighteen days previous to this date

Dated Jersey City, April 7, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have a main sewer constructed from the Hudson River east of Greene street through Wayne street to Railroad Avenue, through Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue, through Newark Avenue to the intersection of the same with South 7th street, thence through South 7th street to the water of Mill Creek one hundred feet west of Brunswick street, and the connecting laterals, necessary culverts, receiving basins, main holes, flushing gates, &c., conformable to the general plan of sewerage.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City for a main sewer, to extend from the Hudson River, east of Greene street through Wayne street to Railroad Avenue, through Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue, through Newark Avenue to the intersection of the same with South 7th street, thence through South 7th street to the water of Mill Creek 100 feet west of Brunswick street. Lateral sewers to be constructed extending through Greene street, from Wayne to Steuben street, through Steuben street from Greene to Prospect, in Washington from Wayne to Steuben, in Warren street from Mercer to 100 feet north of Steuben, in Mercer street from Washington to Warren, in Railroad Avenue south side, from Prospect to Warren, in Prospect street from Railroad Avenue to Morgan street, in Morgan street from Prospect to 100 feet east of Grove, in Grove street from Newark Avenue to Bay or South 9th street, in Barrow street from Newark Avenue to Railroad Avenue, in Railroad Avenue from 100 feet east of Jersey street to 275 feet east of Barrow street, in Jersey Avenue from Newark Avenue to South 8th street, in South 8th street from 100 feet west of Jersey Avenue to 200 feet east of Jersey Avenue, and in South 8th street from Brunswick street to Newark Avenue, in Brunswick street from Newark Avenue to South 8th street, in South 6th street from Newark Avenue to Brunswick street, and in Newark Avenue from Brunswick street to South 7th street; together with the necessary culverts, receiving basins, main holes, flushing gates, &c., the whole to conform in all essential particulars to the general plan of sewerage proposed by the Water Commissioners and adopted by the Common Council; and that the Committee on Sewers will meet at the City Clerk's office, on Wednesday the first day of April next at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same.

And that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in April next, at 7½ o'clock P. M., at which time it will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, March 18th, 1857. td

The City Clerk presented a report, of which the following is a copy, and the report was received and ordered filed:

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel, eighteen days previous to this date.

Dated Jersey City, April 7, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—APPLICATION to have the sidewalks in front of lots seven, nine, eleven, twenty-one and twenty three on block 2, as the same are now laid down on a map of Jersey City, Hudson County, N. J., made by A. Clerk and R. C. Bacot, City Surveyors, in the yea 1848, curbed and flagged, in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have

the sidewalks in front of lots seven, nine, eleven, twenty-one and twenty-three, on block two, as the same are now laid down on a map of Jersey City, Hudson County, N. J., made by A. Clerk and R. C. Bacot, City Surveyors, in the year 1848, curbed and flagged in accordance with the requirements of the City Charter; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the first Tuesday in April next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at which time it will hear and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing to the said improvement. By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, March 24, 1857. 4t

A communication was presented from the Secretary of Engine Co. No. 5 asking that the name of Henry O'Neil be altered on the roll book of the Fire Department to Charles H. O'Neil, as the name was by mistake incorrectly given in the return of his election. Received, and the correction ordered to be made by the City Clerk.

A communication was presented from the Secretary of Hose Co. No. 8 stating that the name of Henry C. instead of William C. Smith, should have been returned as a member of that Company, and asking that the Fire Department Roll Book be altered so as to rectify the mistake in the return. Received, and the correction ordered to be made by the City Clerk.

A communication was presented from the Clerk of Engine Co. No. 1 asking that the name of William L. Beach be altered to William M. Beach, on the Roll Book of the Fire Department. Received and the alteration ordered to be made by the City Clerk.

A communication of which the following is a copy was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water, with instructions to report the cost of such plate referred to in the communication.

To the Honorable the Board of Common Council Gentlemen.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Jersey City Fire Department Fund, held Febry. 13 1857. The President and Secretary were appointed a Committee for the purpose of bringing to the notice of your Honorable Body, that on or about the first of May of this year there will be quite a number of the Firemen of this city, who will become exempt members of the Fire Department, and as there is no Certificates for exempt firemen, we would most respectfully solicit of your honourable body an early consideration of this subject.

In behalf of the Board of Trustees.

CORNELIUS C. MARTINDALE, President.

FRANCIS P. FULDEN, Secretary Fire Department Fund.

A communication from the Board of Education, of which the following is a copy was presented, received, and warrants ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the parties named, and for the amounts and purposes stated in said communication.

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office, on Tuesday evening Feb. 10, 1857.

The following resolution was adopted by the votes of all the members present the yeas and nays being taken.

Resolved, That a requisition be made upon the Common Council in favor of Samuel H. Many, for $8.16 for bill hardware furnished in 1855, 56.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at the City Clerk's office, on Tuesday evening, March 17, 1857.

Requisitions were ordered upon the Common Council as follows, by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays being taken.

Morrell & Vanderbeck for sand, $3; R. B Kashow thermometer for No. 1. 00.75; Robert Patton repairs of desks, $12.25; Rea & Pellock, repairs, plumbing, $2.98; D. Gould serving as late Clerk, $28; Chairman of Committee on Finance, quarter Salary to 1st May, $2266.87.

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, March 18, 1857.

A return by the Board of Water Commissioners of unpaid Water rents on real estate, due for the fiscal year commencing, and payable in advance on the 1st May, 1856, was presented and received.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the return of arrearages of water rents, made by the Board of Water Commissioners, to the Common Council at this meeting be filed in the City Clerk's office; and that the Committee on Finance are hereby instructed to advertise and sell according to law in case of non-payment, the property described in said return, and are hereby empowered to establish such rules and regulations for the government of said sale, as they may deem expedient not inconsistent with the charter and ordinances of the City, and the statutes relating to the Board of Water Commissioners.

The City Clerk presented a report, setting forth that on the 27th March last, the Sheriff of Hudson County attached all claims or demands of Patrick McCafferty against the city, &c. Report received, and the subject referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances with instructions to Confer with the Corporation Attorney in respect to the matter.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred on the 17th February last, the certiorari of the State, Stephen W. Smith and others, prosecutors against the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, reported the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the certiorari in which the State, Stephen W. Smith and others, are prosecutors, and the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, defendants, be referred to the City Attorney, with instructions to take such measures thereupon as he may deem necessary; and in case he should deem it proper that a return thereto be made, the City Clerk is hereby instructed to attend to the same.

The Committee on Streets presented a bond of H. M. Trapbagen, indemnifying the City against any expense which may be incurred in resetting curb, &c., in front of block of land fronting on the west side of Prospect street, between Pavonia Avenue and South First street.

The bond was accepted and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 17th March last, the petition of the Patent Water and Gas Pipe Company, for permission to fill in to the established grade in front of their property in Greene street, from Harsimus to Bay street, &c., presented a report and the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to "The Patent Water and Gas Pipe Company," to fill in to the established grade the portion of Greene street from Bay street to Harsimus street, which is in front of their property, on the west end of block No. 18; said filling in to extend from said property to the centre of said Greene street, to be done at the petitioners' own expense, but under the direction of the Committee on Streets, and the work to be completed on or before the first day of July next, up to which time only this permission is to be considered as given.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 17th March last, the petition of Abraham Collard for permission to fill in with earth and sand to the established grade, the pond of water in front of his premises in South 7th street, presented a report and the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to Abraham Collard to fill in with earth and sand to the established grade the pond of water situate in front of his premises known as Nos. 331, 333, 335, 337, and 339 South 7th street, provided that said work be done at the petitioners' own expense but under the direction of the Committee on Streets of the

Common Council, and be completed on or before the first day of June next. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred back on the 3d March, 1857, the application of William Keeney and others, for the construction of a Sewer in South Third street, with laterals, &c., reported adversely to constructing such Sewer under said application, &c. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred on the 17th March last, the application of John Post and others for the construction of a main Sewer in Wayne street, Newark Avenue, Rail Road Avenue, and South Seventh street with laterals, &c., reported adversely to the construction of such Sewers, under the said application. The report was received and adopted.

The Joint Committee on Assessments and Streets, who have had under consideration the remonstrances of Joseph Babcock and Cornelius Kane against the confirmation of the Assessment for the improvement of Monmouth street, presented reports setting forth that the "objections are not sufficient to stay the confirmation of said Assessments. The reports were received and adopted.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That two per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the Assessment for regulating Monmouth street between South Second street and South 8th street, and that said Assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald Cobb, Edge and Gardner.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of J. R. Halladay, for two thousand and fifty-three 48-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for work and materials for regulating Monmouth street, between South Second street and South Eighth street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city there o.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge and Gardner.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William Moore, for eighty-six 25-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending the regulation of Monmouth street, between South Second street and South Eighth street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge and Gardner.

Ald. Thompson from the Committee on Assessments presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Improvement Certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Edward Coles for thirty-two 50-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Monmouth Street, between South Second and South Eight Street, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the Seal of the City thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge and Gardner.

Ald. Wilson presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was laid upon the table, viz:

"An Ordinance to License and Regulate Carts in Jersey City."

On motion of Ald. Wilson it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at the City Clerk's office, on Friday, the 10th instant, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Ald. Thurston offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City are authorized by a supplement to the Charter passed 26th of February, 1853, to borrow money in anticipation of the collection of any assessment for street improvements, and

Whereas, Certain Improvement Certificates are about falling due for the following improvements, viz: Of Morgan Street, from Grove to Greene Streets; of Rail Road Avenue, North side, from Jersey to Brunswick Street, and South Sixth Street, from Jersey Avenue to Grove Street, and the collections on such assessments being insufficient. Therefore

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be and are hereby authorized to borrow in anticipation of the collection of said assessments such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet such deficiency, and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to affix the Seal of the City to such bonds as may be issued for the above object.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge and Gardner.

Ald. McComb, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for nineteen dollars and fifty cents be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Merchant's Insurance Company of the city of New York, for renewal until the 26th March, 1853, of the policy of insurance on the Hook and Ladder House corner of Grand and Van Vorst streets.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for twenty-six dollars be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Merchant's Insurance Company of the city of New York, for the renewal until the 26th March, 1858, of the policy of insurance on the 4th Ward Public School House.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby directed to cause to be filled up and flagged over the well in Morris street, between Hudson and Greene st.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That the following resolution passed on the 17th March last, be rescinded.

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to cause the following pumps to be removed, and the wells filled up: One in Sussex Street, near Hudson; one on corner of Grove and South Seventh Streets; one in Morris Street, near Hudson; one in Grand Street, between Washington and Greene Streets: one corner Washington and York Streets; one in Montgomery street near Greene

street, and that he be instructed to have the necessary flagging laid over such wells.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the Corporation paper for the length of time required by the City Charter, a list of the property still unredeemed, sold June 27th, 1855, for taxes of 1854. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby empowered and requested to issue, under the Corporate Seal of the City, declarations of sale to the purchasers at the Tax Sale of March 23d, 1857, and at the Assessment Sale of March 25th, 1857.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Fire Engine No. 3 be placed under the charge of the recently organized Engine Company, No. 8, and that said Company with their Engine be located in the old Hook & Ladder House in Sussex Street. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James S. Noyes for one thousand dollars, an account of grading Hamilton Square. The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Tyrrell offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be and he is hereby instructed to place Engine Company, No. 3 on duty, to put the Hook and Ladder House in Essex street in repair, and to partition off a meeting room from the same for the use of said company, and also to provide the said company with the necessary Hose and apparatus, to put them in immediate possession of their Engine, and also to furnish said meeting room, with chairs, tables and other articles useful and necessary, and such other articles as is customary. The resolution was laid upon the table.

Ald. McComb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That that the old Hook and Ladder House in Sussex street be repaired for the use of Hercules Engine Co No. 3, at a cost not to exceed fifty dollars under the direction of the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

The resolution was adopted.

(Ald. McComb obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald. Tilden, the resolution of Ald. Erwin and the substitute offered by him (Ald. Tilden) on the 17th March last, and laid upon the table, relative to the Jersey City Gas Light Company, were taken up for consideration.

Ald. Erwin's resolution was amended by the substitution of Ald. Tilden's preamble and resolution, and the substitute was adopted.

The preamble and resolution as adopted being as follows:

Whereas, The Jersey City Gas Light Company have refused to comply with a contract made by Resolutions passed Nov. 18, 1851, to light the city with Gas and to furnish private consumers with Gas of good quality on the same terms that the Gas Light Companies of New York furnishes to their consumers.

And Whereas, The Legislature of this state have refused to charter the Union Gas Light Company of Jersey City, through the opposition and false representations of the Jersey City Gas Light Company, for the purpose of forcing the Common Council to contract with them to light the city with Gas, contrary to the specified terms of a resolution passed 18th November, 1851, for lighting the city and furnishing private consumers with Gas on the same terms that the Gas Companies of New York shall furnish Gas to their consumers.

Therefore Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be authorised and directed to call on the officers of the Jersey City Gas Light Company and request the fulfillment of the terms of the Resolution adopted November 18, 1851, in writing and submit said agreement, if made to this Board, and in case of a refusal to report the same.

(Ald. Erwin obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Ald. Thurston the following entitled Ordinance presented and laid upon the table on the 16th December, 1856, was taken up for consideration, viz:

"An Ordinance to provide for filling to the established grade, paving, curbing, guttering, and laying cross-walks, and flagging side-walks, in Colfax Street between South 5th Street and Newark Avenue, where said work has not already been done.

The Ordinance was amended, and as amended was rejected; the following being the vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Nay—Ald. Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, and McComb.

On motion of Ald. Tyrrell the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned Regular Meeting at the City Clerk's office, Friday, April 10th, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald. McComb, Thurston, Tilden and Tyrrell.

Absent—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, Thompson and Wilson.

There being no quorum present, on motion of Ald. Tyrrell the Board adjourned to meet again at the City Clerk's office, on Saturday, the 11th instant, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned Regular Meeting at the City Clerk's office, Saturday, April 11th, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the President, the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Ald. Thurston, Tilden and Wilson.

Absent—President Davenport, and Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson and Tyrrell.

There being no quorum present, on motion of Ald. Thurston the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

BOARD OF CITY CANVASSERS.

In compliance with the provisions of the Charter of Jersey City, the Board of City Canvassers met at the Common Council Chamber, in the Lyceum, on Friday, the seventeenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, at five o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the Charter Election held on the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk

Present—Ald. Edge, McComb, Thurston and Tilden, and George W. Cassedy, City Clerk.

The following named Judges of Election from the several Wards of the City appeared and took their seats as members of the Board, viz: Phineas C. Dummer, from the First Ward; Justus Slater, from the Second Ward; John Gerraghty, from the Third Ward, and Roswell A. Randall, from the Fourth Ward.

Ald. Gardner was absent from the meeting.

On motion of Ald. McComb, Ald. Tilden was appointed Chairman of the Board.

The Chairman administered to each of the other members of the Board, and to the City Clerk, the oaths required of them by the City Charter, and Mr. Dummer administered to the Chairman of the Board the oath required of him by the City Charter

Thereupon the Judges of Election produced the original statements which had been delivered to them respectively, and laid the same before the Board.

The returns were read.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved, That whereas the votes cast in the First Ward for Charles Fink and William Pearsall for Water Commissioners, appear by the return to have been illegally given, that they therefore be rejected from the canvass.

On motion of Ald. Thurston, it was

Resolved, That whereas the votes given in the Second, Third and Fourth Wards, for Water Commissioners, except those designated to have been given to fill the unexpired term of Moses B. Bramhall, appear by the returns to have been illegally given, that they therefore be rejected from the canvass

On motion of Ald. McComb, it was

Resolved, That whereas the Common Council did not as required by the City Charter, designate the number of Constables to be elected, that therefore all the votes cast for Constables be rejected from the canvass.

The Board then proceeded to canvass the votes given for the City and Ward officers, mentioned in the statements of the election in the several wards of the city.

The Board then proceeded to make a statement and final declaration of the names of the persons who received the highest number of votes for each of the offices mentioned in the statements laid before the Board.

On motion of Ald. Edge, it was

Resolved, That the Chairman and Clerk of this Board of City Canvassers be authorized and directed to make out, sign and publish in the Corporation paper, a statement and final declaration of the result of the Charter Election held in Jersey City on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, as made by this Board of City Canvassers.

On motion of Ald. Edge, it was

Resolved, That the Chairman and Clerk of this Board of City Canvassers be directed to make out and present to the Common Council for payment the claim of this Board for their services as City Canvassers.

The minutes of the Board were then read, and on motion of Ald. Thurston, they were approved.

On motion of Ald. McComb, the Board of City Canvassers then adjourned, sine die.

THOMAS F. TILDEN,
Chairman of the Board of City Canvassers.
GEO. W. CASSEDY,
Clerk of the Board of City Canvassers.

A STATEMENT

Of the result of an election held in Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, to elect City and Ward officers, made by the Board of City Canvassers for said city.

Whole number of votes cast in the First Ward four hundred and fifteen 415

Whole number of votes cast in the Second Ward four hundred and four 404

Whole number of votes cast in the Third Ward six hundred and thirteen 613

Whole number of votes cast in the Fourth Ward five hundred and seventy-seven 577

Whole number of votes cast in the city two thousand and nine 2009

Number of ballots rejected in the First Ward five 5

Number of ballots rejected in the Second Ward one 1

Number of ballots rejected in the Third Ward one 1

Number of ballots rejected in the Fourth Ward three 3

Whole number of ballots rejected in the city ten 10

FOR CITY OFFICERS.

For Mayor,

Samuel Wescott received in the First Ward two hundred and thirty seven 237 votes

Samuel Wescott received in the Second Ward two hundred and ninety-nine 299 votes

Samuel Wescott received in the Third Ward three hundred and ninety-nine 399 votes

Samuel Wescott received in the Fourth Ward three hundred and forty-seven 347 votes

Total twelve hundred and eighty-two 1282 votes

Alexander H Wallis received in the First Ward one hundred and sixty-eight 168 votes

Alexander H Wallis received in the Second Ward one hundred and two 102 votes

Alexander H Wallis received in the Third Ward two hundred and two 202 votes

Alexander H Wallis received in the Fourth Ward two hundred and twenty-two 222 votes

Total six hundred and ninety-four 694 votes

Wescott received in the Third Ward one 1 vote

N Wescott received in the Fourth Ward one 1 vote

Total scattering votes two 2

For Water Commissioners,

David S Manners received in the First Ward one hundred and sixty-seven 167 votes

David S Manners received in the Second Ward one hundred and twenty-six 126 votes

David S Manners received in the Third Ward one hundred and sixty-three 163 votes

David S Manners received in the Fourth Ward two hundred and seventeen 217 votes

Total six hundred and seventy-three 673 votes

Charles Fink received in the First Ward two hundred and thirty-six 236 votes

Charles Fink received in the Second Ward two hundred and sixty-eight 263 votes

Charles Fink received in the Third Ward four hundred and four 404 votes

Charles Fink received in the Fourth Ward three hundred and twenty-two 322 votes

Total twelve hundred and thirty 1230 votes

William Pearsall received in the First Ward two hundred and thirty-one 231 votes

William Pearsall received in the Second Ward two hundred and seventy eight 278 votes

William Pearsall received in the Third Ward four hundred and fifty 450 votes.

William Pearsall received in the Fourth Ward three hundred and fifty-one 351 votes

Total thirteen hundred and ten 1310 votes

Daniel P Hoag received in the First Ward two 2 votes

W Pearsall received in the First Ward one 1 vote

Benjamin O Edge received in the Second Ward fifty 50 votes

D S Manners received in the Second Ward one 1 vote

James R Gautier received in the Second Ward one 1 vote

B O Edge received in the Second Ward one 1 vote

Benjamin O Edge received in the Third Ward one hundred and eighty-nine 189 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the Fourth Ward twenty-two 22 votes
Total scattering votes two hundred and sixty-seven 267

For Water Commissioner,

To fill the unexpired term of Moses B Bramhall.
Benjamin O Edge received in the First Ward one hundred and sixty-seven 167 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the Second Ward sixty-four 64 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the Fourth Ward one hundred and ninety-five 195 votes
Total four hundred and twenty-six 426 votes
William Pearsall received in the First Ward one 1 vote
William Pearsall received in the Fourth Ward three 3 votes
Total four 4 votes
Charles Fink received in the Second Ward three 3 votes
Charles Fink received in the Fourth Ward five 5 votes
Total eight 8 votes

For School Superintendent,

David Gould received in the First Ward two hundred and fourteen 214 votes
David Gould received in the Second Ward one hundred and twenty-six 126 votes
David Gould received in the Third Ward one hundred and seventy-nine 179 votes
David Gould received in the Fourth Ward two hundred and eight 208 votes
Total seven hundred and twenty seven 727 votes
Abram S Jewell received in the First Ward one hundred and seventy-one 171 votes
Abram S Jewell received in the Second Ward two hundred and seventy-one 271 votes
Abram S Jewell received in the Third Ward four hundred and twenty-four 424 votes
Abram S Jewell received in the Fourth Ward three hundred and forty-one 341 votes
Total twelve hundred and seven 1207 votes
D Gould received in the Second Ward one 1 vote
A S Jewell received in the Second Ward one 1 vote
Peter P Post received in the Third Ward one 1 vote
A Jewell received in the Fourth Ward two 2 votes
A S Jewell received in the fourth ward five 5 votes
Total scattering votes ten 10

For Assessors,

James Flemming received in the first ward one hundred and sixty 160 votes
James Flemming received in the second ward one hundred and ten 110 votes
James Flemming received in the third ward one hundred and thirty three 133 votes
James Flemming received in the fourth ward two hundred and four 204 votes
Total six hundred and seven 607 votes
James Gopsill received in the first ward one hundred and fifty one 151 votes
James Gopsill received in the second ward ninety seven 97 votes
James Gopsill received in the third ward one hundred and thirty one 131 votes
James Gopsill received in the fourth ward one hundred and sixty six 166 votes
Total five hundred and forty five 545 votes
Joseph Young received in the first ward two hundred and forty one 241 votes
Joseph Young received in the second ward two hundred and eighty two 282 votes
Joseph Young received in the third ward four hundred and fifty nine 459 votes
Joseph Young received in the fourth ward three hundred and forty five 345 votes
Total thirteen hundred and twenty seven 1327 votes
Smith Mead received in the First Ward two hundred and three 203 votes
Smith Mead received in the Second Ward two hundred and fifty eight 258 votes
Smith Mead received in the Third Ward three hundred and fifty one 351 votes
Smith Mead received in the Fourth Ward three hundred and thirty three 333 votes
Total eleven hundred and forty five 1145 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the First Ward thirty nine 39 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the Second Ward forty three 43 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the Third Ward one hundred and twenty eight 128 votes
Stephen Quaife received in the Fourth Ward sixty one 61 votes
Total two hundred and seventy one 271 votes
J Young received in the First Ward one 1 vote
Quaife received in the Second Ward two 2 votes
Joseph Quaife received in the Second Ward one 1 vote
S T Quaife received in the Fourth Ward one 1 vote
S Quaife received in the Fourth Ward one 1 vote
Edward Coles received in the Fourth Ward one 1 vote
Total scattering votes seven 7

For Collector,

Walter Vanderzee received in the First Ward two hundred and four 204 votes
Walter Vanderzee received in the Second Ward two hundred and seventy two 272 votes
Walter Vanderzee received in the Third Ward three hundred and ninety six 396 votes
Walter Vanderzee received in the Fourth Ward three hundred and fourteen 314 votes
Total eleven hundred and eighty six 1186 votes
Jeremiah B. Cleveland received in the First Ward one hundred and eighty eight 188 votes
Jeremiah B Cleveland received in the Second Ward one hundred and twenty eight 128 votes
Jeremiah B Cleave and received in the Third Ward one hundred and sixty nine 169 votes
Jeremiah B Cleveland received in the Fourth Ward two hundred and forty one 241 votes
Total seven hundred and twenty-six 726 votes
Walter Vanderzee received in the First Ward eleven 11 votes
Peter D Vroom received in the First Ward two 2 votes
J B Cleveland received in the Second Ward one 1 vote
Peter D Vroom received in the Second Ward one 1 vote
Peter D Vroom received in the Third Ward forty 40 votes
J B Cleveland received in the Fourth Ward one 1 vote
John From Cisco received in the Fourth Ward one 1 vote
Jesse Platt received in the Third Ward one 1 vote
Jerry Cleveland received in the Third Ward one 1 vote
Total scattering votes fifty nine 59

FOR WARD OFFICERS—First Ward.

For Judges of Election,

Phineas C Dummer received one hundred and seventy-nine 179 votes
Luke C Lyman received one hundred and seventy-five 175 votes
John A Southmayd received one hundred and seventy-four 174
Samuel D Harris received two hundred and nine 209 vote
Julian P Chazotte received two hundred and sixteen 216 votes
David Nichols received two hundred and fourteen 214 votes
Samuel Bennett received twelve 12 votes
James Lynch received one 1 vote
Walter Lamb received one 1 vote
Isaac Edge received one 1 vote
Jacob Z Varinus received one 1 vote
John C Robins received one 1 vote
Adrian B Reynolds received one 1 vote

For Aldermen,

Charles H Winfield received one hundred and seventy-nine 179 votes
Lewis S Barnum received one hundred and fifty 150 votes
William Voorhies received two hundred and twenty six 226 votes
Robert B Kashow received two hundred and forty-one 241 votes
John W Orr received two 2 votes
Augustus A Hardenbergh received one 1 vote
Matthew E win received one 1 vote
Daniel S Sinclair received two 2 votes
Sinclair received two 2 votes
John A Van Buskerk received one 1 vote
Charles S Fox received one 1 vote
R B Kashow received one 1 vote
Robert Kashow received one 1 vote

For Aldermen,

To fill the unexpired term of James R. Thompson
John W Orr received one hundred and sixty two 162 votes.
Daniel S Sinclair received two hundred and forty 240 votes

For Constables,

William Reen received one hundred and sixty-six 166 votes
Martin Harney received two hundred and twenty 220 votes
P Harley received twelve 12 votes.
William H Gautier received one 1 vote.
William Keene received five 5 votes
James Wakefield received one 1 vote
Edwin McGowan received one 1 vote
Stephen W Treadwell received one 1 vote
James Wallis received one 1 vote

Chosen Freeholder,

Minot C Morgan received one hundred and seventy five 175 votes
Ai Fitch received two hundred and twenty four 224 votes
Patrick Coyle received one 1 vote
William T Rodgers received one 1 vote
Henry French received one 1 vote

Ward Clerk,

David W Stone received one hundred and eighty one 181 votes
Michael Reilly received one hundred and ninety 190 votes
M. K. Reilly received ten 10 votes
Edward D Riley received one 1 vote
James Flemming Junior received one 1 vote
John T Smith received one 1 vote

Surveyors of Highways,

William H Gautier received one hundred and eighty one 181 votes
John J Wanner received one hundred and sixty one 161 votes
John Wilson received two hundred and twenty one 221 votes
John Cannon received two hundred and fourteen 214 votes
Walter Vanderzee received one 1 vote
Michael Smith received one 1 vote
Justus Slayter received one 1 vote
James K Morgan received one 1 vote

Commissioner of Appeals,

David Gould received one hundred and sixty eight 168 votes
William T Rodgers Junior received two hundred and twenty two 222 votes
Job Male received one 1 vote

Pound Keeper

John Y Smith received one hundred and sixty seven 167 votes
John Y Brown received two hundred and eight 208 votes
Peter Dolan received one 1 vote
Doctor Dummer received three 3 votes
John C Fremont received one 1 vote
Jesse McLaughlin received one 1 vote
Patrick Hurley received three 3 votes
Edward I Dummer received two 2 votes
William H Gautier received one 1 vote
Thadeus M Coleman received one 1 vote
Abram S Jewel received one 1 vote

Justices of the Peace,

David Taylor received one hundred and sixty eight 168 votes
John C Morgan received one hundred and seventy one 171 votes
Cornelius C Martindale received two hundred and twenty 220 votes
Morgan Nolan received two hundred and fifteen 215 votes
Samuel M Chambers received one 1 vote
John Drayton received one 1 vote
William H Gautier received one 1 vote
C M Chambers received one 1 vote

SECOND WARD.

Judges of Election,

Walter Lamb received two hundred and fifty eight 258 votes
James Lynch received two hundred and two 202 votes
John Coyle received one hundred and seventy six 176 votes
Jacob Z Marinus received one hundred and twenty six 126 votes
John C Robins, received one hundred and twenty six 126 votes.
Adrian B Reynolds received one hundred and twenty six 126 votes
Thomes McDermott received fifty eight 58 votes
John W Thompson received one 1 vote
Phineas C Dummer received one 1 vote
Luke C Lyman received one 1 vote
John A Southmayd received one 1 vote
Samuel D Haines received two 2 votes
Julian P Chazotte received two 2 votes
David Nichols received two 2 votes
Isaac Edge Junior received thirty one 31 votes

For Aldermen,

Augustus A Hardenbergh received two hundred and fifty two 252 votes
Matthew Erwin received one hundred and eighty two 182 votes
Charles S Fox received one hundred and eighteen 118 votes
Jacob A VanBuskirk received ninety one 91 votes
Frederick Boyce received fifty eight 58 votes
A A Hardenbergh received sixty six 66 votes
Charles H Winfield received one 1 vote
Lewis S Barnum received one 1 vote
Daniel S Sinclair received two 2 votes
William Vorhies received two 2 votes
Robert B Kashow received two 2 votes

Ward Clerk,

Edward D Riley received two hundred and sixty 260 votes
James Fleming Jr received one hundred and twenty three 123 votes
John J Haybeck Jr received one 1 vote
Doesticks received one 1 vote.
Youngs received one 1 vote
E D Riley received ten 10 votes

Commiseioner of Appeals,

Isaac Edge Junior received one hundred and eighty five 185 votes
Job Male received one hundred and twenty three 123 votes
Patrick Coyle received fifty-three 53 votes
Samuel A French received seventeen 17 votes
Minot C Morgan received one 1 vote
William T Rodgers Jr received two 2 votes
David Gould received one 1 vote

Surveyors of Highways,

Walter Vanderzee received two hundred and sixty nine 269 votes
Michael Smith received two hundred and sixty seven 267 votes
James K Morgan received one hundred and twenty five 125 votes
Justus Slater received one hundred and twenty five 125 votes

J S'ater received one 1 vote
William Gautier received one 1 vote
John J Wanner received one 1 vote
John Wilson received two 2 votes
John Cannon received two 2 votes

Chosen Freeholder

Henry French received one hundred and ninety-five 195 votes
Patrick Coyle received one hundred and ninety three 193 votes
John Dreaton received one 1 vote
Samuel A French received one 1 vote
Minot C Morgan received one 1 vote
Ai Fitch received two 2 votes

Justice of the Peace,

John Drayton received two hundred and seventy three 273 votes.
Samuel M. Chambers received two hundred and sixty-seven 267 votes
Morgan Nolan received three 3 votes.
Stephen Quaife received one 1 vote.
Cornelius C. Mansfield received two 2 votes.
John C. Morgan received one 1 vote.
David Taylor received one 1 vote

Constables,

James Wakefield received two hundred and seventy two 272 votes
Edward McGowan received two hundred and seven 207 votes
James Wallace received one hundred and twenty-four 124 votes
Stephen W Treadwell received one hundred and eighteen 118 votes
E McG wan received fifty-nine 59 votes
William Keene received one 1 vote
Martin Harney received one 1 vote

Pound Keeper,

Peter Dolan received two hundred and fifty-nine 259 votes
D C McCallum received one 1 vote
Ticket A Gregory received one 1 vote
Jacob J Banta received one 1 vote
Francis Hevey received three 3 votes
Peter Wagner received two 2 votes
John R Joles received one 1 vote
Walter Lamb received one 1 vote
Justus Slater received one 1 vote

THIRD WARD

Judges of Election,

John McGuigan received four hundred and thirty-seven 437 votes
William Startup received four hundred and forty-five 445 votes
John Horn received three hundred and seventy five 375 votes
Henry C Dickinson received one hundred and fifty-three 153 votes
William C Hutton received one hundred and fifty-four 154 votes
William Bishop received one hundred and fifty-five 155 votes
William White received sixty seven 67 votes
William S Hooker received two 2 votes
Cornelius T Fraser received two 2 votes
William Howeth received two 2 votes
John B Haight received two 2 votes
John D Hann received one 1 vote

For Aldermen,

Charles M Hankins received four hundred and fifty five 455 votes
Joseph M Brown received four hundred and thirty one 431 votes.
Rufus Kissam received one hundred and thirty seven 137 votes
Theron S Doremus received one hundred and fifty two 152 votes
T B Kissam received one 1 vote
S Naise received one 1 vote
Benjamin G Hann received one 1 vote
L Baum received one 1 vote
William Roosevelt received two 2 votes
W S Wickware received two 2 votes

For Aldermen,

To fill the unexpired terms of Jacob R. Wortendyke and William R. Drayton.

Martin L Baum received three hundred and thirty two 332 votes
Richard Corneilison received three hundred and fifty two 352 votes
William L Dickinson received two hundred and twenty three 223 votes
Simon F Noyes, received one hundred and forty 140 votes
Job Faulkenburgh received one hundred and thirty seven 137 votes

For Chosen Freeholder,

George McLaughlin received five hundred and twenty seven 527 votes
Nehemiah Knapp received twenty two 22 votes
John Doyle received two 2 votes
Henry French received one 1 vote
Joseph Curtis received one 1 vote
Patrick Braly received twenty two 22 votes
Sam Patch received one 1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals,

James Schenck received three hundred and eighty one 381 votes
Selah Hill received one hundred and thirty five 135 votes
James S Hutton received seventy one 71 votes
John Van Vorst received two 2 votes
John Beatty received one 1 vote
Black Hill received one 1 vote

For Ward Clerk,

Michael Kane received three hundred and seventy two 372 votes
Philemon D Haight received two hundred and twenty 220 votes
Edward Andrews received two 2 votes
H K Terry received one 1 vote

For Surveyors of Highways,

Hugh Keenan received four hundred and twenty six 426 votes
John Coar received four hundred and twenty five 425 votes
Stephen Knapp received one hundred and fifty four 154 votes
James Vankeuren received one hundred and fifty two 152 votes
Michael Lynch received two 2 votes
Patrick Riley received two 2 votes
Samuel Wescott received two 2 votes
William C Hutton received one 1 vote
Jim Crow received one 1 vote

For Constables,

Bernard McAnnally received four hundred and twenty four 424 votes
Thomas Hughes received four hundred and forty one 441 votes
Jarvis L Ayres received one hundred and fifty three 153 votes
James C Smith received one hundred and fifty two 152 votes
John Y Brown received twelve 12 votes
Smith Mead received one 1 vote
Selah Hill received one 1 vote
William Allen received two 2 votes
Samuel J Pouce received two 2 votes

For Justices of the Peace,

Jonas S Tower received three hundred and seventy seven 377 votes
John B Stanton received three hundred and seventy 370 votes
James W Hall received one hundred and fifty three 153 votes
Alpheus W Camp received one hundred and fifty three 153 votes
William Bumsted received sixty five 65 votes
Jacob Rapp received sixty five 65 votes
Sylvester Keeney received two 2 votes
J C Stanton received eight 8 votes

For Pound Keeper,

Peter Dolan received three hundred and sixty one 361 votes

John Y G eene received one hundred and forty nine 149 votes
Peter Waggon received sixty seven 67 votes
A H Wall's received one 1 vote
Dudley S Gregory received two 2 votes
Peter N Horsely received two 2 votes
James Ryder received one I vote
Joseph McCoy received one 1 vote
John L Marks received one 1 vote
Selah Hill received one 1 vote
Peter Waggoner received two 2 votes

FOURTH WARD.

For Judges of Election,

William I Hooker received three hundred and twenty three 323 votes
Cornelius T Frazer received three hundred and eighte n 318 votes
William Howeth received three hundred and thirty 330 votes
Isaac Houston received two hundred and thirty four 234 votes
Ephraim Terril received two hundred and thirty 230 votes
Jesse Platt Junior received two hundred and twenty eight 228 votes
John McGuigan received three 3 votes
William Startup received three 3 votes
James Houston received one 1 vote
Hooker received one 1 vote
Howeth received one 1 vote
Walter Lamb received one 1 vote
Thomas McDermet received one 1 vote
Henry B Jenkins received one 1 vote
W L Ormsby received one 1 vote
Henry Bedford received one 1 vote
Phineas C Dummer received one 1 vote
Luke C Lyman received one 1 vote
John A Southmayd received one 1 vote
John Horn received three 3 votes

For Aldermen,

Melancthon S Wickware received three hundred and forty 340 votes
William Roosevelt received three hundred and thirty 330 votes
Reuben McPherson received two hundred and thirty two 232 votes
William B Hatch received two hundred and eight 208 votes
Wm Roosevelt received ten 10 votes
M S Wickware received nine 9 votes
Charles M Hankins received four 4 votes
Joseph M Brown received four 4 votes
Martin L Baum received four 4 votes
Edward Cornelison received four 4 votes
A A Vardenbergh received one I vote
Matthew Erwin received one 1 vote
Wickware received one 1 vote
Levi Rowley received one 1 vote
Charles H Winfield received one 1 vote
Lewis S Barnum received one 1 vote
John W Orr received one 1 vote

Chosen Freeholder,

John Doyle received two hundred and ninety 290 votes
Harvey M Soule received two hundred and sixty two 262 votes
George McLaughlin received three 3 votes
Father Kelly received one 1 vote
I Doyle received one 1 vote
Minot C Morgan received one I vote

For Commissioners of Appeal,

John Van Vorst received three hundred and forty 340 votes
Luther S Elmer received two hundred and nine-teen votes
J Van Vorst received one I vote
James Schanck received two 2 votes
Henry French received one I vote
Patrick Coyle received one 1 vote
S Westcott received one 1 vote
B Hughes received one 1 vote
David Gould received one 1 vote

For Ward Clerk

Edward Andrews received three hundred and twenty three 322 votes
Calvin E Toune received two hundred and thirty eight 238 votes
Michael Kane received two 2 votes
Edward Riley received one 1 vote
William Keeney received one 1 vote
David W Stone received one 1 vote

For Surveyors of Highways

Michael Lynch received three hundred 300 votes
Patrick Reilly received two hundred and ninety seven 297 votes
Bernard Hughes received two hundred and forty six 246 votes
Ira R Bickford received two hundred and twelve 212 votes
John D Jones received twenty nine 29 votes
Hugh Keenan received three 3 votes
John Coar received three 3 votes
William Roosevelt received one I vote
Michael Smith received one 1 vote
Walter Vanderzee received one I vote
B ll Cassidy received one 1 vote
Paddy McCue received one 1 vote
R McPherson received one 1 vote
John Sylvester received one I vote
William H Gautier received one 1 vote
John J Wanner received one 1 vote

For Justices of the Peace,

Sylvester Keeney received three hundred and thirty nine 339 votes
William Keeney received one hundred and seventy six 176 votes
George Grooby received two hundred and eighteen 218 votes
Samuel R Tyrrell received one hundred and eighty nine 189 votes
Jonas S Tower received three 3 votes
John B Stanton received three 3 votes
Samuel M Chambers received one 1 vote
John B Drayton received one 1 vote
George Whitlock received one 1 vote
Thomas S Shaw received one 1 vote
Smith Mead received one 1 vote
David Jones received one 1 vote
Leonard De Klyn received one 1 vote
David Taylor received one 1 vote
John C Morgan received one 1 vote
David Jones received thirty two 32 votes

For Constable,

William Allen received three hundred and forty one 341 votes
Samuel J Boyce received three hundred and thirteen 313 votes
James B Dunn received one hundred and ninety nine 199 votes
Stacy B Fine received two hundred and thirty seven 237 votes
James Dunn received two 2 votes
W M Allen received one I vote
Bernard McAnnally received two 2 votes
Thomas Hughes received two 2 votes
Patrick Martin received one I vote
James Wakefield received one 1 vote
C McGowen received one I vote
S Fine received one 1 vote
William Babinson received one 1 vote
William Reen received one 1 vote

For Pound Keeper,

Peter Waggoner received three hundred and twenty two 322 votes
Robert S Marston received two hundred and two 202 votes
L Marston received twenty two 22 votes
Peter N Horsely received one I vote
Peter Dolen received four 4 votes
C G Sissen received two 2 votes
James Gopsill received one I vote
Harvey M Soule received one I vote

David S Manners received one 1 vote
Frederick Spengeman received one 1 vote
John Y Smith received one 1 vote

We do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full, and correct statement of the result of the election above mentioned as the same is exhibited by the statements produced and laid before the Board of City Canvassers, according to law; and that the same exhibits the number of the names of the voters in the roll books of the wards respectively; and of the ballots rejected; the whole number of the names of the voters in the poll books of the several wards; the name of each person for whom any vote or votes were given; the number of votes given for each person in each ward; and the whole number of votes given for each person for each office designated for him, as they appear by the statements so produced and laid before the said Board.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this twenty-second day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

THOMAS E. TILDEN,
Chairman of Board of City Canvassers
GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
Clerk of Board of City Canvassers.

A STATEMENT

Of the determination of the Board of City Canvassers, relative to an election held in Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, on the fourteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, for the election of a Mayor; a Water Commissioner for the full term; a Water Commissioner to fill the unexpired term of Moses B. Bramhall, a School Superintendent; a Collector; and two Assessors, for the said City; and of two Aldermen, one Chosen Freeholder, one Commissioner of Appeals, three Judges of Election, two Surveyors of Highways, one Ward Clerk and one Pound Keeper, for each of the several wards in said City; and of one Alderman to fill the unexpired term of Jacob R. Wortendyke, and William R. Drayton.

The said Board do determine and declare that at the said election, the following named persons having received the highest number of votes for each of the offices above mentioned, were duly elected to the following named offices.

CITY OFFICERS.

Mayor—Samuel Westcott.
Water Commissioner, (for the full term) David S Manners.
Water Commissioner (for the unexpired term of Moses B. Bramhall)—Benjamin O. Edge.
School Superintendent—Abram S. Jewell.
Collector—Walter Vanderzee.
Assessors—Joseph Young and Smith Mead.

FIRST WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—William Voorhies and Robert B Kashow.
Alderman (to fill the unexpired term of James R. Thompson)—Daniel S. Sinclair.
Chosen Freeholder—Ai Fitch.
Commissioner of Appeals—William T. Rodgers, Jr.
Judges of Election—Samuel D. Haines, Julian P. Chazotte and David Nicholl.
Ward Clerk—Michael Reily.
Surveyors of Highways—John Wilson and John Cannon.
Pound Keeper—John Y. Brown.

SECOND WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—Augustus A. Hardenbergh and Matthew Erwin.
Chosen Freeholder—Henry French.
Commissioner of Appeals—Isaac Edge, Junior.
Judges of Election—Walter Lamb, James Lynch and John Coyle.
Ward Clerk—Edward D. Reilly.
Surveyors of Highways—Walter Vanderzee and Michael Smith.
Pound Keeper—Peter Dolan.

THIRD WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—Charles M Hankins and Joseph M Brown.
Aldermen—(to fill the unexpired terms of Jacob R Wortendyke and William R Drayton) Martin L. Baum and Richard Corneilison.
Chosen Freeholder—George McLaughlin.
Commissioners of Appeals—James Schanck.
Judges of Election—John McGuigan, William Startup and John Horn.
Ward Clerk. Michael Kane.
Surveyors of Highways—Hugh Keenan and John Coar.
Pound Keeper—Peter Polar.

FOURTH WARD OFFICERS.

Aldermen—Melancthon S. Wetmore and William Roosevelt.
Chosen Freeholder—John Doyle.
Commissioner of Appeals—John Van Vorst.
Judges of Election—William J. Hooker, Cornelius T. Frazyer, and William Howeth.
Ward Clerk—Edward Andrews.
Surveyors of Highways—Michael Lynch and Patrick Reilly.
Pound Keeper—Peter Waggoner.

We do certify that the foregoing is a true, full, and correct statement of the determination of the Board of City Canvassers therein mentioned.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this twenty second day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

THOMAS E. TILDEN,
Chairman of Board of City Canvassers.
GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
Clerk of Board of City Canvassers

COMMON COUNCIL.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday April 21st., 1857 at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport and Ald. Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Erwin, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Cobb.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 7th instant, and of the adjourned regular meetings of the 10th and 11th instant, were read and approved.

Petitions, communications, etc, were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Remonstrance of Patrick Meharand others against proposed alteration of grades of streets along the line of the Long Dock Company's rail road track. Ref to Com. on Streets

Petition of Charles J. Smith and others, owners of property assessed for paving and regulating Bay street, setting forth that the assessment has been made by an old map which conflicts with the boundaries of their lots in such a manner that they are unable to pay their amounts, and asking that the assessment be apportioned so that each owner can pay for his own lot &c Ref. to Com. on Assessment.

Remonstrance of C. H. Murray and others against the proposed extension of the Essex street Sewer. Ref. to Com. on Sewers.

Petition of John N. Fiacre and others, to have Coles street between Newark Avenue and South Fifth street, regulated, graded, &c. Ref. to Com, on Streets.

On motion of Ald. Thompson the Board took a recess for twenty minutes, to enable Mr. Viele to exhibit a specimen of his new map of Jersey City, and to give some explanations respecting the said map.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of F. Boyes $7.51; S. W. Treadwell $4 45; and John Perrine, $2.00 Ref. to Com. on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of F. Boyes $'0 00; R. B. Kashow $17.57; and Nathaniel Ellis $7.93; Ref. to Com. on Police and Licenses.

Of R B Kashow $25.88; R B. Kashow $6.84; R.B. Kashow $49 80; W.H. Wood, $36.00; H D. Holt $22 50; and H. D. Holt $148 25. Ref. to Com. on Finance.

Of Frederick Boyes $3 50. Ref. to Com. on Fire and Water.

Of S. W. Trenalwall, $30.00. Ref. to a special Committee, consisting of Ald. McComb, Thurston and Insley.

Of Alexander Love $11 50; and D. & A. McI. Henderson $72.30 Ref. to Com. on Streets.

Of P. Farrell $7 12; and F. Boyes, $6 13. Ref. to Com. on Alms.

Of C Zabriskie $18.00; Narine & Co., $2 50; Narine & Co., $7.00; and the Board of Commissioners, of Assessment $16 00 Ref. to Com. on Assessments.

The City Clerk presented a report, of which the following is a copy, and the report was received and ordered filed:

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for eleven days previous to and including this date.

Dated, Jersey City April 21st, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE—APPLICATION to have a main sewer constructed from the Hudson River, east of Greene street through Wayne street to Railroad Avenue, through Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue, through Newark Avenue to the intersection of the same with South 7th street, and the connecting laterals, necessary culverts, receiving basins, man holes, flushing gates, &c., conformable to the general plan of sewerage.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City for a main sewer to extend from the Hudson River, east of Greene street, through Wayne street to Railroad Avenue, through Railroad Avenue to Newark Avenue, through Newark Avenue to the intersection of the same with South 7th street; lateral sewers to be constructed extending through Greene street, from Wayne to Steuben street, through Steuben street from Greene, to Prospect, in Washington from Wayne to Steuben, in Warren street from Mercer to 10 feet north of Steuben, in Mercer street from Washington to Warren, in Railroad Avenue south side, from Prospect to Warren, in Prospect street from Railroad Avenue to Morgan street, in Morgan street from Prospect to 100 feet east of Grove, in Grove street from Newark Avenue to Bay or South 9th street, in Barrow street from Newark Avenue to Railroad Avenue, in Railroad Avenue from 100 feet east of Jersey street to 275 feet east of Barrow street, in Jersey Avenue from Newark Avenue to South 8th street, in South 8th street faom 100 feet west of Jersey Avenue to 200 feet east of Jersey Avenue, and in South 8th street from Brunswick street to Newark Avenue, together with the necessary culverts, receiving basins, man holes, flushing gates, &c., the whole to conform in all essential particulars to the general plan of sewerage proposed by the Water Commissioners and adopted by the Common Council; and that the Committee on Sewers will meet at the City Clerk's office, on Monday, the 20th day of April, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M., to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same.

And that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in April, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M., at which time it will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing, By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, April 10th, 1857. td

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Dated Jersey City, April 21, 1857

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE—APPLICATION to have altered the grades of the streets between Pavonia Avenue and North 4th street, and between Bergen Hill and the Hudson river, on the line of the Long Dock Company's Rail Road so as to conform to a map on file in the City Clerk's office.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City by parties claiming to be owners of three fourths of the lots built upon, fronting on the streets and parts of streets, between Pavonia Avenue and North Fourth Street, and between Bergen Hill and the Hudson River on the line of the Long Dock Company's Rail Road, to have the grades of said streets as now established so changed as to conform to the map accompanying said application which is entitled "Grades in Fourth Ward Jersey City," which map has been filed in the City Clerk's office; and that the Committee on Streets will meet at the City Clerk's office, on Monday, the 20th day of April, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same.

And that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on the third Tuesday in April, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at which time it will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, April 10th, 1857. td.

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Dated Jersey City, April 21, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE—APPLICATION to have a main sewer constructed from the Western terminus of the sewer in Essex Street, to extend through Van Vorst and Grand Streets to the westerly line of Grove Street, and to connect with the Canal at Grove Street: for the purpose of flushing the same, with the necessary tributaries, &c.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City to have the preliminary measures taken for the construction of a main sewer from the western terminus of the sewer in Essex Street, to extend through Van Vorst and Grand Streets, to the westerly line of Grove Street, and to connect with the Canal at Grove street, for the purpose of flushing the same, and for the construction of all the necessary tributary sewers to be connected therewith, according to the general plan of sewerage; and for the purpose of carrying out the prayer contained in said application, the Common Council propose to cause the main sewer and the necessary tributaries, &c, to be constructed as follows:

The main sewer to extend from a point in Essex Street, 160 feet from the easterly side of Van Vorst Street, to Van Vorst Street, thence through the centre of said street to the centre of Grand Street thence through the centre of said street, to the westerly side of Grove Street, there to connect with the waters of the Morris Canal.

Lateral Sewers to be constructed in Morris street from 100 ft west of Warren to Van Vorst street, in Sussex st from 100 feet west of Warren to Van Vorst street from Grand to York, and in York street from 100 feet east of Grove street to Henderson street. The said main sewer to be connected with the sewers now built in Henderson and Grove streets; the whole to be provided with the necessary culverts, receiving basins, man holes, flushing gates, &c, and to conform in all essential particulars to the general plan of sewerage proposed by the Water Commissioners and adopted by the Common Council, and that the Committee on Sewers will meet

at the City Clerk's office, on Monday the 20th day of April, 1857 at 7½ o'clock, P. M., to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same.

And that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the third Tuesday in April, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., at which time it will receive and consider all objections to such proposed improvement, which may be presenthd in writing. By order of the Common Council.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Jersey City, April 10th, 1857. td

The City Clerk presented a report of which the following is a copy; and the report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for eleven days previous to and including this date.

Dated Jersey City, April 21, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY City Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE—APPLICATION to have a main sewer constructed in South 3d street, and connecting laterals.

Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Common Council of Jersey City, for the construction of a main sewer in South 3d street, extending from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street, and lateral sewers in South 2d street, extending from Prospect street 200 feet east and 800 feet west, from Erie street 375 feet east and 200 feet west; from Jersey Ave. 200 feet east, and from Coles street 200 feet east; also in South 4th street, extending from Erie street 200 feet east, from Jersey Avenue 200 feet west; and from Coles street 200 feet west; also in Prospect street from South 1st street to South 4th street; also in Grove street from South 1st to South 3d street; also in Erie street from South 1st to South 4th street; also in Jersey Ave. from South 2d to South 4th street; and in Coles street from South 2d to South 4th street; the said lateral sewers to connect with and drain into the said main sewer, and the whole to be provided with the necessary connections, culverts, receiving basins, man holes, flushing gates, &c., and to conform in all essential particulars to the plan of sewerage proposed by the Water Commissioners, and adopted by the Common Council; and that the Committee on Sewers will meet at the City Clerk's office, on Monday the twentieth day of April, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M., to hear all persons interested in said application on the merits of the same, and that the Common Council, will meet at the Common Council Chamber on the Third Tuesday in April 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M., at which time it will receive and consider any objections which may then be presented in writing to the said improvement..

By order of the Common Council

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated, Jersey City, April 10th, 1857 id

A return by the Board of Water Commissioners, of the unpaid assessment for building a culvert and basin at the South west corner of Grove and Montgomery streets, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

A report by the Corporation Attorney, with copies of papers submitted by him to the Jersey City Gas Light Company, in answer to the preamble and resolution passed on the 7th inst., respecting the furnishing of gas to the city and private consumers, agreeably to the terms of the resolution on that subject passed November 18, 1851, was presented, received, and ordered to be printed in the minutes of this meeting of the Common Council. Said report and accompanying paper being as follows.

To the Honorable, the Common Council of Jersey City:

In obedience to the resolution of your Honorable Body, passed on the 7th inst., I have to report, that I called on the officers of the Jersey City Gas Light Company and requested the fulfilment of the terms of the resolution adopted Nov. 18th, 1851, in writing and submitted the papers hereto annexed to said officers, to which Mr. Clerk, the President of the Jersey City Gas Light Company, answered to this effect, that he would at an early day "call a meeting of the directors of said company before whom he would lay the papers by me submitted to him."

All which is respectfully submitted.

Your obedient servant,

RICH'D. D. McCLELLAND, City Att'y.

To the officers of the Jersey City Gas Light Company:

You will please to take notice that the annexed paper, contains a copy of a resolution passed by the Common Council of Jersey City at its meeting held on the 7th inst., and directed to me as Attorney of the said, the Common Council, and that you are hereby in conformity to the directions of said resolution, requested by me, to fulfil the terms of the resolution, adopted Nov. 18th, 1851, a copy of which is likewise hereto attached by executing or causing to be executed the agreement hereto annexed or otherwise to submit to me your refusal forthwith as it is desired that my report be presented to the said the Common Council on the evening of Friday, the 10th inst Your obedient servant

RICH'D. D. McCLELLAND,
Att'y for Common Council.

Whereas, The Jersey City Gas Light Company have refused to comply with a contract made by Resolutions passed Nov. 18, 1851, to light the city with Gas and to furnish private consumers with Gas of good quality on the same terms that the Gas Light Companies of New York furnishes to their consumers.

And Whereas, The Legislature of this state have refused to charter the Union Gas Light Company of Jersey City, through the opposition and false representations of the Jersey City Gas Light Company, for the purpose of forcing the Common Council to contract with them to light the city with Gas, contrary to the specified terms of a resolution passed 18th November, 1851, for lighting the city, and furnishing private consumers with Gas on the same terms that the Gas Companies of New York shall furnish Gas to their consumers.

Therefore Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be authorized and directed to call on the officers of the Jersey City Gas Light Company and request the fulfillment of the terms of the Resolution adopted November 18, 1851, in writing and submit said agreement, if made to this Board, and in case of a refusal to report the same.

Resolved, That the Jersey City Gas Light Company, have permission to open the streets of the City, under the direction of the Committee on Streets, and under such restrictions, as said Committee shall establish for the purpose of laying their street mains, provided that the same shall not be kept open longer than shall be necessary, and that the same shall be left in as good condition as they now are.

Provided that the memorialists first agree in writing duly executed to supply gas to the City, and private consumers, at as low rates as gas of equal quality shall be supplied in the City of New York.

This agreement made the day of eighteen hundred and fifty seven, between the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City parties of the first part, and the Jersey City Gas Light Company, parties of the second part, witnesseth: That the said parties of the second part, for themselves and their successors, do hereby, in conformity to a resolution of the said the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, passed November 18th, 1851, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and in consideration of the permission to open the streets, therein contained, covenant and agree to, and with the said parties of the first part, and their successors, to supply gas to the City of Jersey City, and to private consumers, at as low rates as gas of equal quality shall be supplied in the City of New York; and the said parties of the first part for themselves and their successors, in consideration of the agreement aforesaid on the part of the said parties of the second part, do hereby covenant and agree, to and with the said parties of the second part, to pay unto the said

parties of the second part and their successors, the rates as above specified, for all gas supplied by the said parties of the second part to the City of Jersey City aforesaid.

In witness whereof the said parties of the first part have hereunto affixed their Corporate seal, attested by the signature of the Mayor and Clerk of said City, and the said parties of the second part, have caused their Corporate Seal to be hereunto affixed, and this agreement to be signed by their President, the day and year first above written.

The Special Committee to whom was referred on the 7th instant the petition of Stephen W. Treadwell to be reimbursed for expenses incurred by him in taking prisoners to the Hudson County Jail, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for eighteen dollars be drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of Stephen W. Treadwell, to reimburse him for expenses incurred in taking prisoners from Jersey City to the Hudson County Jail between the 24th July, 1853, and the 1st August 1856. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 17th March last, the petition of Thomas T. Lacy, enclosing a Declaration of Sale, for a lot bought by him at the tax sale of June 9, 1854, and asking that the purchase money paid by him be refunded with interest, for the reason that the property designated was not correctly described in the advertisement of sale, presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution.

Resolved, That the sale of lot, described as 27 Coles Street, in block 201, made by this Corporation on the 9th June, 1854, to Thomas T. Lacy, for six dollars and two cents, for taxes of 1853, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that the sale of said lot was erroneously advertised; that the Declaration of sale which has been surrendered by Thomas T. Lacy be cancelled, and that the purchase money paid be refunded to him with interest from the date of sale at the rate of seven per cent per annum, for which a warrant is hereby ordered to be drawn in his favor on the City Treasurer for said purchase money and interest. The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of Samuel Bridgart and others, to have side walk laid in Essex street between Essex and Morris streets, &c., presented report recommending that the petition be returned to the petitioners on account of its being defective in its form. Report received and adopted.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, presented the Board of Commissioners for Assessments' report, map and schedule, for the regulating of Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue, and the same were received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to give notice through the Corporation paper, that the assessors' report and map for regulating Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No. 23 Montgomery street, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on Saturday, May second, at 7½ o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment which may be presented in writing.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, reported the following preamble and resolution, which were received and adopted.

Whereas all proceedings had upon the original application for the construction of a main sewer through Wayne street, Rail Road Avenue, Newark Avenue and South 7th street and their tributaries have been rescinded by the Common Council and whereas among said proceedings rescinded was a resolution directing the parties interested in said application to pay into the City Treasury one hundred and fifty dollars which was complied with; therefore

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Post for the persons who contributed the same and for such amount as was paid in by them.

The Committee on Sewers reported the following preamble and resolution which were received and adopted.

Whereas, all proceedings had upon the original application for the construction of a main sewer in South Third Street to extend from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street with laterals, &c., have been rescinded by the Common Council, and

Whereas, among said proceedings rescinded was a resolution directing the parties interested in said application to pay into the City Treasury monies to defray the preliminary expenses which was complied with therefore

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William Keeney for the persons who contributed the same, and for such amount as was paid in by them.

The Committee on Sewers reported the following resolution, which was received and adopted:

Resolved, That the parties interested in the application presented April 7, 1857, for a main sewer through Wayne street, Rail road Avenue and Newark Avenue, with its laterals be directed to pay into the city treasury one hundred and fifty dollars, for the purpose of defraying the expenses attending the preliminary proceedings upon such application.

The Committee on Sewers reported the following resolution, which was received and adopted.

Resolved, That the parties interested in the application presented April 7, 1857, for the construction of a main sewer in South Third street, to extend from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street, with laterals, &c., be directed to pay into the city treasury one hundred and fifty dollars, for the purpose of defraying the expenses attending the preliminary proceedings upon such application.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of William Keeney and others, for the construction of a main sewer in South Third street, from Provost to Monmouth street, with laterals, &c., presented a favorable report, and the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, application has been made for the construction of a main sewer in South Third street, to extend from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street, with laterals, &c., and notice for objections to the same having been duly advertised, and the time for a hearing appointed, and whereas the objections to said sewer are in the opinion of this Board insufficient to prevent its construction; therefore,

Resolved, That a main sewer be constructed in South Third street, to extend from the east side of Provost street to Monmouth street, with laterals, &c., in conformity with the published notice, and that Benjamin O. Edge, Henry M. Traphagen and Erastus Randall, be appointed commissioners to assess and report the estimated cost of said sewer and tributaries under the authority of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide for the construction of sewers in Jersey City," approved June 28th, 1854.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—The President, and Ald. Clarke, Dayton, Edge, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nay—Ald. Erwin.

Absent—Ald. Cobb.

The Committee on sewers to whom was referred on the 7th instant, the petition of Charles J. Smith and others, for the construction of a main sewer in Wayne Street, Rail Road Avenue, and Newark Avenue, to South Seventh Street, with laterals, &c.,

presented a favorable report, and the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas; application has been made for a main sewer through Wayne Street, Rail Road Avenue and Newark Avenue, and its tributaries, and notice for objections to the same having been duly advertised and the time for a hearing appointed; and whereas the objections to said sewer are in the opinion of this Board insufficient to prevent its construction. Therefore

Resolved, That a main sewer be constructed through Wayne Street, Rail Road Avenue and Newark Avenue, with its laterals, in conformity with the published notice, and that Benjamin O. Edge, Henry M. Traphagen, and Erastus Randall, be appointed Commissioners to assess and report the estimated cost of said sewer and tributaries under the authority of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the construction of sewers in Jersey City," approved June 28th, 1854.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, and Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nay—Ald. Erwin.

Absent—Ald. Cobb,

The Committee on Sewers presented a report, setting forth that pursuant to resolution of the Common Council, the Committee have sold the refuse materials of the Grove street and Newark Avenue Sewers and have deposited in the City Treasury the proceeds amounting to sixty-nine dollars and forty-two cents; the City Treasurer's receipt being attached to the report

The report was received and accepted.

The following claims and accounts were presented received, referred to their appropriate Committees, the rules suspended to enable the Board to audit the claims and the same were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Henry D. Holt 125.00; M. Duke Tilden, $3.00; Josiah M. Topping $8.00; Jacob R Hardenbergh $13.50; H. A. Miller $21.06; Smith Mead $70.42; and of James S. Noyes $2221.35; (this last claim being for excavating earth on Hamilton Square, and accompanied by a map showing the amount of excavations, &c, which map was ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's office.)

The following claims and accounts referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct and ordered paid. viz:

Of W. W. Lee $174.09; W. Coleman $13.25: H. Taylor $40.55; Drayton & Durant $117.15; C. T. Gardner $118.94; J. A. French, $33.64; P. Reilly and Michael Killen $3.75; J. F. Richardson $9.00; W. W. Lee $15 74: and Brinkerhoff & Son $22 25.

Ald Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the assessment map for Jersey City now in process of completion by E. L. Viele be and is hereby accepted so far as the work has progressed, and that a warrant be drawn to the order of E L. Viele for eleven hundred and fifty dollars, being the amount named in the contract as the first payment

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Thompson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at the Common Council Chamber, on Saturday, the 2d of May next, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and the Committees of the Board be instructed to report at that meeting upon all matters in their hands, or to return all papers which they do not intend to report on.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. McComb offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The accumulation of books and papers in the Comptroller's office has rendered the safe in that office of insufficient size for the accomodation of valuable books and papers belonging to the city; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be instructed to procure a suitable safe for the Camptroller's office.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

Ald. Clarke offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to cause the pump to be removed and the well filled up in Grand Street between Washington and Greene Streets, and that he be instructed to have the necessary flagging laid over said well.

The resolution was adopted.

Ald. Tilden offered a resolution instructing the City Attorney "to have a writ of injunction issued against the Jersey City Gas Light Company, restraining them from opening any of the streets of Jersey City, for any purpose, until they can comply with a contract made with said Company by resolution passed November 13, 1851, for lighting the streets of Jersey City with gas."

The President declared the resolution out of order, for the reason "that the acts contemplated to be done under said resolution can only be done by Ordinance, and it conflicts with the City Charter and the Ordinance approved January 12, 1854, regulating the laying down of Gas pipes.

Ald. Tilden appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The decision of the President was sustained by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, on the call of Ald. Tilden, Tyrrell and Edge.

Yeas—Ald Clarke, Drayton, Edge, Gardner, McComb, Thompson and Wilson.

Nays—Ald. Erwin, Insley, Thurston, Tilden, and Tyrrell.

Absent—Ald. Cobb.

On motion of Ald. Edge the Board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk

Adjourned Regular Meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Saturday May 2nd, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Davenport and Ald. Edge, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell, and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin, and McComb.

The City Clerk, by request of his His Honor the Mayor, presented a handsomely bound volume, containing the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Buffalo, transmitted to him as a gift to this City from the City of Buffalo.

The book was received, and ordered to be deposited in the City Clerk's office.

The City Clerk presented a report, of which the following is a copy, and the same was received and ordered filed:

The City Clerk respectfully reports to the Common Council of Jersey City that a notice, of which the annexed is a copy, has been published in the Jersey City Daily Sentinel for ten days previous to this date.

Dated, Jersey City, May 2nd, 1857.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk

CORPORATION NOTICE.—CONFIRMATION of Assessment for regulating Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue.

Notice is hereby given that the Assessors' report and map for regulating Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue, is on file in the City Clerk's office, No 23 Montgomery street; and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council Chamber, on Saturday, the second day of May, 1857, at 7½ o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections to such assessment, which may be presented in writing.

By order of the Common Council

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Dated Jersey City, April 22d, 1857. 1d

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, announcing the

expulsion of Anthony Ryder, and the election of Robert B. Core, by Passaic Hose Co No. 4.

Communications received, the election approved, and the name of the expelled member ordered to be stricken from the roll of the Fire Department.

A requisition from the Board of Education, of which the following is a copy, was presented, received, and warrants were ordered to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of parties named for the amount of their respective claims.

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at the City Clerk's office, on Tuesday evening, April 21st 1857.

The following bill's were audited, and requisitions ordered upon the Common Council by the votes of all the members present; the yeas and nays being taken in favor of

The Daily Telegraph, for labe's for School Boo's, $ 2.50.

The Rip ewam Company for repairs to furnaces School No. 2, $10 07.

John Marshall, repairs to locks, School No. 1, $7,88

S. W. Treadwell, $3.

Wm. Coman, mason work, $6,0[illegible].

J. C. Hardy, repairs to Clock's, $4,75.

Very respectfully,

P. D. VROOM, Clerk.

Jersey City, May 1 1357.

Ald. Thompson being the only member of the Committee on Assesamants present, asked to have a member of the Board associated with him on that Committee for this meeting, and Ald. Gardner was appointed.

Ald. Thurston being the only member of the Committee on Streets present asked to have a member of the Board associated with him on that Committee for this meeting, and Ald. Tilden was appointed such associate.

The Committee on Finance returned, with reports of their correctness endorsed upon them, the City Treasurer's reports for July, August, September, October, November, and December, 1856, and January and February, 1857.

The reports were ordered filed.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred, on the 13th January last, the petition of William H. Jeliffe, Esq, asking that a warrant be drawn in his favor as the Attorney for the Assignees of E. Capron, in the place of one already drawn in favor of said Capron, and which has been delivered to him as such Attorney, reported that the party to whom said warrant "has been legally transferred is legally authorized to endorse said warrant, and receive from the City Treasury the amount for the same," and recommend that the warrant sent to this Board by the petitioner be returned to him.

Report received, and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, on the 17th March last, the remonstrance of Morrell and Van Cleek against the paving of Greene street, from Steuben street to Harsimus street, reported that the Common Council having already granted permission to certain parties in the portion of Greene street designated, to improve in front of their own property, the Common Council can grant no relief to the remonstrants, and recommending that in future the Common Council shall not grant such permission without first referring the subject to the Committee on Streets, and awaiting a report from them.

Report received and accepted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 20th January last, the claim of Savery & Sons, amounting to $24, reported that the amount of said claim was allowed to the claimants, in the assessment for regulating Wayne Street.

Report received and adopted

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 21st August last, the petition of Charles J. Smith and others, to have Steuben street from Prospect street to the West side of Greene street, filled to the grade, &c, and on the 16th September last a remonstrance of Charles J. Smith and others against said improvement, reported adversely upon the petition.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 1st July last, the petition of Charles J. Smith and others in reference to the regulation of Railroad Avenue, from Prospect to Warren street, reported that the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company have agreed to fence in their track, and are now engaged in doing so, and that their doing so will afford the relief prayed for by the petitioners.

Report received and adopted.

Sundry papers were returned as unfinished business by the Committees on Streets, Fire and Water, and Assessments, and were ordered to be laid on the table.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That one and one half per cent be added for Collector's fees to the amount of the assessment for regulating Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue, and that said assessment be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Edge, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin and McComb.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of William A. Cumming, for fourteen thousand two hundred and twenty three 81-100 dollars, being the amount of his bill for regulating Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue, and that His Honor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Edge, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin and McComb.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of I. B & D. E. Culver, for two hundred and fifty-six 15-100 dollars, being the amount of their bill for surveys and maps for regulating Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Edge, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thureton. Tilder, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin and McComb.

Ald. Thompson, from the Committee on Assessments, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of E. N. Cleveland, for two hundred and seventy-five dollars, being the amount of his bill for superintending the regalating of Prospect street, from Newark Avenue to Pavonia Avenue, and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, and the City Clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the foltowing vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—The President, Ald. Edge, Gardner, Insley, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrell and Wilson.

Nays—None.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Cobb, Drayton, Erwin and McComb.

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred on the 17th March last the petition of William A. Cumming to be allowed additional interest on the amount of his contract for paving, &c., Jersey avenue from Mercer to Grand street, reported favorably upon the petition,

The report was received and on motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That interest be allowed to William A. Cumming on the amount of his contract for regulating, paving, flagging, &c., Jersey street, from Mercer to Grand street, from the 4th day of February, 1856, to 1st September, 1856.

On motion of Ald. Thompson it was

Resolved, That the resolution passed at the last regular meeting of the Common Council ordering a warrant for $1 150, to be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of E. L. Viele, as the first payment on his contract for making a City Map, be rescinded.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Ald. Thompson, and adopted:

Whereas a contract was executed between the Mayor and Common Council and E. L. Viele, on the 1st day of December, 1856, for an accurate survey of Jersey City, by said Viele, and a set of Assessment Maps, and a condensed City Map, were to have been completed by the terms of the agreement on the 15th day of March, 1857, when the first payment was to be made on account of said work, and it appears that said condensed map is not yet completed; therefore,

Resolved, That the Corporation Attorney be authorized to draft an agreement extending the time for the completion of the same until the 1st day of August, 1857, and authorize the city to advance to the said E. L. Viele the amount named as the first payment, namely, $1,150 on the express condition thus, that the said E. L. Viele shall give the Mayor and Common Council satisfactory security that the said work shall be completed and accepted according to the terms of the contract by the 1st day of August next, or the money hereby authorized to be advanced shall be returned, and this agreement first to be duly executed by the Mayor and Common Council and E. L. Viele, and in no wise to impair or alter the original agreement, beyond the extension of time hereby granted.

Ald. Tilden offered the following resolution, and on motion of Ald. Insley its consideration was postponed until after the organization of the New Common Council:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Ransom & Jelliffe, for $50, for services in the case of Samuel R. Tyrrel.

The following resolution was offered by Ald. Edge, and adopted:

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at the Common Council Chamber on Monday the 4th instant at 7½ o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of approving the minutes only.

The following claims and accounts were presented in the early part of the meeting, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules suspended to enable the Board to audit the claims, and the same were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of C. Lenzmann, $245; D. Bedford, $1.50; W. H. Wood, $51; W. Whitley, $150; D. & A. McI. Henderson, $72,30; C. O. Potter, $[illegible]; Drayton & Durant, $93,04; S. A. French, $[illegible]0; D. Bedford, $9; G. W. Cassedy, $129 60; A. P. Reynolds, $25,85; N. Ellis, $41 23; C. T. Gardner, $ 8,89; Officers of Election in 3d Ward, $35 50; and Board of City Canvassers, $19,50.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of F. Boyes, $6,73; P. Farrell, $7,12: Narine & Co, $7; C. Zabriskie, $18; W. W. Lee, $5 93; Woolsey & Woolsey, $25,33, Narine & Co $2 50; P. H. Zabriskie, $4; J. B. Haight, $1,13; C. Van Buskirk, $21,25; Pine & Hartshorne, $8[illegible]; A. A. Rice, $116.25: John Marshall, $18,12: James Smith $96 25 F. Boyes, $8,50: John Marshall, $22; John Marshal, $50,25; Alexander Love, $11,50; N. Ellis, $7,93; R. B. Kashow, $17.57; F. Boyes, $10, and Board of Commissioners for Assessments, $16.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thompson, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the members of this Board tender their sincere thanks to their President, James S. Davenport, for the able and dignified manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Thompson, and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the members of this Board tender their sincere thanks to George W. Cassedy, for the able and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of City Clerk for the past year.

On motion of Ald. Thompson, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board be tendered to our worthy Marshal, Nathaniel Ellis, for the very satisfactory manner in which he has performed the duties of his office during the past year.

On motion of Ald. Wilson the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Monday, May 4th, 1857, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Davenport, and Ald. Cobb, Edge, Erwin, Insley, McComb, Thompson, Thurston, Tilden, Tyrrel and Wilson.

Absent—Ald. Clarke, Drayton and Gardner.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 21st, 1857, and of the adjourned regular meeting of May 2d, 1857, were read and approved.

On motion of Ald. Edge, the Board then adjourned *sine die*.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

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